

amended 2000 consolidated plan and 2003 consolidated annual plan



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Dear Resident:

The **Amended 2000 Consolidated Plan** and **2003 Consolidated Annual Plan** was produced by the Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) in collaboration with residents, community leaders, representatives from non-profit and for-profit agencies, as well as City of Houston departments. Like previous Consolidated Plans, this report promotes a unified vision for implementing improvement strategies throughout Houston. This Consolidated Plan reports on the level of need for housing and support services, among the low and moderate income, and establishes priorities for securing resolution.

Significant effort was devoted to assessing the housing and community development needs of our City. In addition to consultations with members of the Advisory Task Force, HCDD also distributed a Needs Assessment Survey to solicit the public's input regarding existing conditions and areas in need of improvement. This Plan represents the culmination of many months of hard work by HCDD staff with support from other city departments, service providers and community residents. More than anything else, the Consolidated Plan process provides a framework through which we can work to secure improvements citywide to benefit low and moderate-income Houstonians.

I hope that you will find this Consolidated Plan both informative and useful.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daisy A. Stiner".

Daisy A. Stiner, Director

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PREFACE

The Consolidated Plan is the product of a unified vision to upgrade low and moderate income neighborhoods and assist Houstonians in need of sound and affordable housing. The intent of the Consolidated Plan is to promote citizen participation; consultation and cooperation; comprehensive assessment of needs; development of local priorities; and adoption of strategies to address identified deficiencies. The focus of the Consolidated Plan remains Houstonians who are low to moderate income, elderly, homeless affected by HIV/AIDS and the mentally ill or physically disabled. The report combines into a single submission the planning and application process for the Community Development Block Grant, the HOME Investment Partnerships Grant, the Emergency Shelter Grants and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Grant.

This report is the result of a dual planning process, through which the 2000 Consolidated Plan was reviewed, amended and an Annual Plan for 2003 developed. Both components reflect the full participation of residents in community assessment, establishment of priorities, and development of strategies to secure needed improvements.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As with previous Consolidated Plans, this report is an assessment of housing and community development needs of low to moderate income Houstonians, based on research and consultations with residents, community leaders, for-profits, non-profits and various City departments. The goal of this Plan is set forth in a blueprint to develop and/or maintain those strategies that support the conservation and/or revitalization of low and moderate-income neighborhoods. Rather than produce a new five-year Plan, the City of Houston chose to amend the **2000 Consolidated Plan**, and at the same time develop the **2003 Consolidated Annual Plan**. In amending the 2000 Plan, two (2) years are added so that the report now covers five (5) years, from July 2000 through June 2005. As instructed by HUD, the City combined the Amended 2000 and 2003 Annual Plans, two separate reports, as one (1) document.

The primary source of citizen input was through the Advisory Task Force (ATF), reconvened to participate in this dual planning process. The ATF worked with the Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) to help assess needs; revise components of the **2000 Consolidated Plan**; and establish planning priorities. The publication of a newsletter, execution of a "Needs Assessment" Survey and presentations at community meetings and public hearings were all vehicles used by HCDD to publicize the Consolidated Plan and solicit the participation of residents throughout Houston.

The **Amended 2000 Consolidated Plan and 2003 Consolidated Annual Plan** promotes multi-year goals and adoption of a one-year Action (Annual) Plan in support of community improvement. This Plan combines the planning and application process of four (4) formula federal grant programs: **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)**; **HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME)**; **Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA)** and **Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG)**. The strategy is to use federal and local resources to address the priority needs of Houstonians, which since 1995 have been: **housing and support services**; **public improvements and infrastructure**; and **economic development**. Based upon the Needs Assessment Survey of 2003 and consultation with the ATF, the funding/planning priorities are **housing and homeless services**, **economic development**, and **public improvements and infrastructure**.

The **Amended 2000 Consolidated Plan and 2003 Consolidated Annual Plan** is comprised of chapters on "Managing the Process" the "Amended 2000 Consolidated Plan," including revised Priority Needs Summary Tables, the "Annual Plan," the "Enhanced Enterprise Community," "Applications for Funding," "Public Comments," "Certifications" and "Appendices" complete the report. The information imparted through these chapters represent more than an application for federal funds. The Plan is designed to encourage maximum participation from residents throughout Houston.

Managing the Process (Chapter I), describes the various phases of planning activities through which the 2000 Plan was amended and the 2003 Annual Plan developed. Details are provided regarding strategies used to secure input from residents. Next, **Amended 2000 Consolidated Plan** (Chapter II), covers program initiatives added or

deleted since the report was originally developed and outlines accomplishments since that time. Also included are revised Priority Needs Summary Tables for **Homeless/Special Needs, Housing and Community Development**. The **Annual Plan** (Chapter III), spotlights Activities to be Undertaken, such as housing and supportive services; Program Resources; Anti-Poverty Strategy; EDI/Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program; Barriers to Affordable Housing; Public Housing Improvements; Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction; and Geographic Distribution of Funding. The **Enhanced Enterprise Community** (Chapter IV) follows with descriptions of improvement initiatives underway in this specially designated area. Details are included covering activities in each of the area's six (6) zones.

Applications for Funding (Chapter V), identifies how dollars allocated through the CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA grant programs will be used to assist those in need during Fiscal Year 2004. Funded projects directly address and/or support priorities established by the Consolidated Plan Process. The remaining chapters cover public comments, federal certifications and appendices.

CHAPTER I

II. INTRODUCTION

MANAGING THE PROCESS

The City of Houston's Consolidated Plan was developed through a systematic approach based on **research, consultation, program review and assessment** and outreach to residents by **publicizing** the process. Combined, these activities shaped the four (4) phases, which resulted in a planning process both comprehensive and inclusive. Throughout each phase, the process was dominated by the involvement of residents and neighborhood-based organizations citywide.

Phase I of the process was initiated with development of the Consolidated Plan strategy and schedule, followed by research and data gathering. The strategy and schedule were heavily publicized throughout the city at public hearings and community meetings. Also, the Advisory Task Force was reconvened and its role in the planning process outlined at a meeting on December 12, 2002. (See Appendices for the list of the Advisory Task Force.) HCDD met with other City departments regarding outstanding infrastructure needs in the low and moderate income areas and asked for projects to address these conditions.

Phase II involved the development and distribution of informational resources promoting the Consolidated Plan and soliciting the public's involvement. The **Consolidated Plan Information Packet** described each of the four (4) federal grants (Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnerships Grant, Emergency Shelter Grants and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Grant); the process for accessing funds; current planning and funding priorities; and the various programs sponsored by the Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD). The Information Packet was given to each member of the Advisory Task Force and distributed at the January 16th public hearing on the Consolidated Plan and the City's nine (9) public hearings on the FY 2004 Annual Operating Budget/FY 2004-2008 Capital Improvement Plan. Approximately 800 residents attended these public hearings. In addition, HCDD published the **Consolidated Plan Newsletter** which, like the **Information Packet**, helped publicized activities underway to develop the Plan, the timetable for completion of the report, the role of the Advisory Task Force and the department's use of federal funds to assist low to moderate income Houstonians.

A needs assessment survey was also developed and distributed citywide. The survey form was designed to obtain input from residents about existing conditions, components of their neighborhood in need of improvement and the projects that should have priority for funding. The newsletter and survey were distributed at the public hearings as well as mailed to the 1,000 civic club presidents; the ninety-one (91) Community Housing Development Organizations in the Houston area; officials of the Eligible Metropolitan Statistical Area (EMSA); and the Houston Galveston-Area Council (HGAC). The EMSA is comprised of Harris, Montgomery, Liberty, Waller, Fort Bend and Chambers counties and the cities of Houston, Baytown and Pasadena. HCDD printed 1,000 copies of the Information Packet and 4,500 copies of the newsletter and survey. The survey was also placed on the City's website to make it convenient for those with computers. These publications and the survey were made available in English, Spanish and Vietnamese.

The Information Packet, newsletter and survey were also delivered to each of the City's nine (9) multi-service centers and to major non-profit community centers in areas of minority/immigrant concentration, such as the Chinese Community Center and Ripley House. This material was given to liaisons in the Mayor's Citizens Assistance Office for distribution to Super Neighborhood Councils and other neighborhood-based organizations that they serve. See the appendices for the Information Packet, Newsletter and Needs Assessment Survey.

Phase III featured the work of the individual Advisory Task Force (ATF) Panels in assessing existing conditions as related to Housing, Special Needs Populations and Community Development issues. The Special Needs Populations consists of the homeless, the elderly, the physically disabled, the mentally ill, those who are HIV positive and youth. Community Development covers the infrastructure (such as, streets and utilities), parks, libraries, fire stations, and community centers. As part of this assessment, ATF Panels reviewed resulting changes in each planning element since the **2000 Consolidated Plan**, and made recommendations as to information that should be included on Priority Needs Summary Tables (see Chapter II). HCDD also convened a special subcommittee to examine housing issues affecting persons who are HIV positive or have AIDS, and their families.

Phase IV involved analyzing the results of the Needs Assessment Survey and developing a summary report (see page 7). This information was shared with the Advisory Task Force at the meeting of May 21, 2003. Priorities for funding were established and recommendations made regarding program funding, by using the results of the survey, current funding commitments, feedback from the Mayor, City Council, other City departments and the Advisory Task Force.

Originally for Fiscal Year 2004, the City of Houston was scheduled to develop a five-year Consolidated Plan for a period covering July 2003 through June 2008. However, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) gave Houston the option of amending the current multi-year report, the **2000 Consolidated Plan**, through the revisions of goals and extension of the time-frame from three (3) to five (5) years. HUD gave municipalities this option because of the unavailability of critical U.S. Census income data and because of other internal re-adjustments currently underway in the federal government's Consolidated Plan Program.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Once the decision was made to amend the 2000 Plan, HCDD first informed the Advisory Task Force about the need for revision, and then scheduled the first of several meetings with ATF members to fully review the new direction of this planning process. As explained to ATF members, in addition to amending the 2000 Plan, the City of Houston was still required to develop an Annual Plan for that reason, HCDD decided to expand plan development activities to include publication of the newsletter and execution of a Needs Assessment Survey. Both were seen as excellent vehicles to publicize and promote the Consolidated Plan and encourage citizen involvement. Housing and Community Development Department sponsored two (2) public hearings, the first was held January 16, 2003, to formally initiate the planning process, publicize

the schedule and obtain feedback from residents. Throughout the four (4) phases, the goal was to encourage maximum participation from residents.

Once HCDD completed a draft of the Consolidated Plan, with proposed funding allocations for FY 2004, a Summary of the Annual Plan was published on May 16, 2003 in the **Houston Chronicle**. The summary was also published in **La Voz de Houston**, **Houston Newspages** and **Southern Chinese Daily News**. A second edition of the **Consolidated Plan** Newsletter was also published, containing a summary of the Annual Plan and other related stories. The Plan summary also publicized the date, time and place of the second public hearing, which was held on Thursday, May 29, 2003. The summary and details about the public hearing were also publicized on the City's website. The Plan and recommended allocations were heavily publicized prior to the second public hearing. Residents were encouraged to submit comments during and after the hearing. The public was given thirty (30) days to respond to Consolidated Plan and Annual Plan recommendations, prior to action by City Council. The Plan was approved by Houston City Council on June 25, 2003.

INSTITUTIONAL STRUCTURE

In the close to ten (10) years that the City of Houston has been submitting Consolidated Plans, an institutional framework has evolved through which this planning process operates. The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) is the lead agency charged with developing the Plan and ensuring that all applicable requirements, such as encouraging full citizen participation, are satisfied. Internally, HCDD is comprised of four (4) major functions: **Housing, Financial Services, Planning, and Monitoring**. Among these functioning areas, emphasis remains on ensuring that all perform in a concerted manner to guarantee an efficient use of public and private resources, with maximum output in the form of accomplishments. Underlying this effort is the recognized need to maintain a high level of coordination on projects involving other departments and/or outside agencies.

The institutional structure for development, support and implementation of the Consolidated Plan remains the same. HCDD continues to coordinate the process, working with other departments and non-city agencies, using five (5) strategies. First, reduce and/or alleviate any gaps in services and expedite the delivery of housing and community development improvements, primarily affordable housing, to eligible residents. Second, using the high level of communication and project coordination among departments, continue to support the City's efforts aimed at securing revitalization and/or stabilization of low and moderate income neighborhoods. In fact, the Housing and Community Development Department is currently in partnership with Fire, Health and Human Services, Library, the Mayor's Office, Parks and Recreation and Public Works and Engineering on a variety of community improvement projects. As such, HCDD promotes a diverse number of projects in support of neighborhood conservation and/or revitalization. These include housing construction and rehabilitation, homebuyer assistance, lot assemblage, street overlays and street lights, transportation and safety upgrades, and park and library improvements.

Third, maintain a working relationship with the Housing Authority of the City of Houston

based on the mutually shared goal of providing suitable shelter for the low and extremely low income. Like the Housing Authority, HCDD uses its resources to ensure that affordable housing will be available to low and moderate income residents who want to remain in or move to inner-city neighborhoods. For its part, HCDD also works with and financially supports various community housing development organizations operating in low and moderate income neighborhoods to build affordable housing.

Fourth, use established lines of communication to identify opportunities for joint ventures with agencies that are sources of funding for construction of affordable housing and/or for financing homeownership. Fannie Mae and the Veterans Administration are two (2) for such agencies. Fifth, continue to cultivate strong working relationships with local financial institutions to ensure the availability of private funding for housing projects. The goal remains one of maintaining Houston's lenders as full partners in the revitalization and/or conservation of low and moderate income neighborhoods.

SUMMARY ASSESSMENT OF NEEDS

Between February and April 2003, HCDD employed a variety of techniques to distribute the Consolidated Plan Newsletter and Needs Assessment Survey. The City of Houston's website, public hearings, community meetings, special events, such as National Community Development Week and presentations at seminars, were just some of the methods used to solicit the public's input regarding existing conditions and priorities for improvement. Approximately 4,500 surveys were distributed throughout Houston. The Housing and Community Development Department contracted with the University of Texas Health Science Center, Health Disparities Program to design the survey instrument and analyze the results. The rate of response was 13.9%.

Survey questions sought to solicit feedback on several key issues, covering resident satisfaction and opinions about affordable housing, homelessness, public infrastructure, economic development and social services. Respondents were also asked whether current priorities should change over the next two (2) years or remain the same. When asked if the department should have the same priorities for the next two (2) years, thirty-one percent (31%) of respondents agreed, selecting affordable housing and homeless services as the first priority. Twenty-six percent (26%) of the respondents believed that economic development should be the number one priority, while twenty-six percent (26%) selected public infrastructure as the number one priority. Social services was selected as the first priority by fifteen percent (15%) of the survey respondents.

Respondents were asked how satisfied they were with the overall conditions in their neighborhood. Seventeen percent (17%) were extremely dissatisfied, forty percent (40%) were dissatisfied and only twenty-one percent (21%) of respondents were satisfied with existing conditions of their neighborhood. Sixteen percent (16%) of the respondents did not have an opinion.

It appears that as a result of the current economic downturn, economic development has taken on a new prominence, with a number of survey respondents rating it as a priority. Housing, too, was selected as a high priority and in need of improvement. The obvious relationship is that with gainful employment, one can afford safe and sanitary shelter. Survey results clearly support the Housing and Community Development Department's (HCDD) mandate to create and/or conserve affordable housing for low and moderate income Houstonians. While focused on its mission to expand the stock of affordable housing, HCDD also financially supports economic development activities in the form of the Small Business Development Corporation and its efforts to assist owners of small businesses to improve their operations and create jobs. From survey respondents, housing and economic development were followed by homeless and social services and infrastructure in terms of priority. Specifics regarding detailed results are outlined below.

Affordable Housing

Respondents were asked how much improvement, if any, was needed in the area of housing. A little over ten percent (10%) believed that no improvements were needed, while fifty-seven percent (57%) of the respondents felt that the housing stock needed substantial improvement.

Homelessness

When respondents were questioned about the need for improvement in homeless services, fifty-one percent (51%) indicated that services needed to be upgraded. On the other hand, twenty-eight percent (28%) believed that services needed little to no improvement, while twenty-one percent (21%) did not have an opinion about the quality of services provided.

Public Infrastructure

When asked about the need for public infrastructure improvement, seventy-two percent (72%) indicated that it was much needed. Seventeen percent (17%) felt that public infrastructure needed little or no improvement and ten percent (10%) of respondents did not have an opinion.

Economic Development

The current state of the economy has had considerable impact on the response to questions regarding economic development. Sixty-two percent (62%) of respondents believed that the economy needs a lot of improvement. Twenty percent (20%) believed that little or no improvement was needed, while seventeen percent (17%) of respondents did not have an opinion.

Social Services

Sixty-three percent (63%) of respondents felt that social services needed much improvement as opposed to four percent (4%) who believed no improvements were needed. Seventeen percent (17%) believed that very little improvements were needed.

Priority Ranking

Based on survey results, it appears that recommended priorities are housing and homeless services, economic development, social services and public infrastructure.

The original planning elements still remain priorities for improvement funding - **Housing, Economic Development, Public Improvements and Infrastructure, and Social Services.**

Responses by Council District

Surveys were distributed throughout the City of Houston among the nine (9) council districts. Twenty-eight percent (28%) of the surveys received were from City Council District D. City Council District B was second with nineteen percent (19%) of the responses. Fourteen percent (14%) of respondents were from City Council District I and another fourteen percent (14%) were from Council District H. Nine percent (9%) of respondents live in Council District A; seven percent (7%) reside in Council District C; three percent (3%) live in Council District F; another three percent (3%) in City Council District G; and two percent (2%) reside in Council District E.

CHAPTER II

III. AMENDED 2000 CONSOLIDATED PLAN

As previously stated, the City of Houston elected to amend the multi-year report rather than develop another five-year Plan because 2000 low and moderate income census data was not immediately available. Added to this, the procedure for developing the Consolidated Plan is under review and will probably be altered; just as there are indications from HUD that the computer program, central to production of the applications, will be phased out. The results of the Plan's amendment are reflected on two (2) sets of tables. The first set is the **Priority Needs Summary** tables covering **Homeless/Special Needs, Housing and Community Development** issues. With input from the Advisory Task Force, the needs assessment survey and consultations with other city departments, the numbers, regarding priority needs, were revised and priorities adjusted to reflect changing conditions since the Year 2000.

The second set of tables spotlights proposed goals, actual accomplishments and projected improvements for the 2000 Consolidated Plan; now with two (2) additional years, extending the time-frame to June 2005. Since the 2000 Plan, HCDD has initiated and/or supported program changes to accelerate the development and/or conservation of affordable housing, particularly for the "special needs" population. A description of these new initiatives and/or changes to existing programs follows.

The **Land Assemblage Redevelopment Authority (LARA)** is a joint venture of the city, county, the school district and community college to make development of housing affordable. Once established, the authority will have the power to foreclose on tax delinquent properties and maintain an inventory of lots for residential projects. These properties will be sold at or below market rates to qualifying agencies to expedite the development of affordable housing.

Emergency Home Repair Program, in order to increase the level of assistance, HCDD has raised the financial ceiling for elderly and/or disabled homeowners living in life or health threatening conditions. With the new initiative, financial assistance has increased from \$5,000 to \$7,500 in Phase I, and from \$15,000 to \$20,000 in Phase II.

Houston HomeTown Program provides down payment and closing cost assistance for acquisition of existing and newly constructed residential units. HCDD has elected to increase the amount of the subsidy for existing homes from \$3,500 to \$5,000.

HOPWA Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA). The Housing and Community Development Department will implement a tenant-based rental assistance program that will use scattered sites to house approximately 475 individuals and families affected by HIV/AIDS. A total of one hundred (100) scattered-site transitional and permanent units will be financed through the rental assistance program. Tenants will be granted subsidies toward their monthly rent or mortgage payment to assist them in meeting other living expenses. The payments will be made directly to the landlord or mortgage company and not to clients.

In addition, tenants will be provided with case management services that will enable

them to become medically stable and to secure other needed services, such as psychological and medical counseling, benefits counseling, job training and employment counseling. The Department will contract with existing AIDS Housing Providers and will seek contracts with area public housing agencies (PHAs) to fund this project.

PRIORITY NEEDS

Members of the Advisory Task Force were asked to serve on one (1) of four (4) panels assessing needs related to Housing, Homeless/Special Needs, and Community Development issues in Houston. Each panel was asked to review Priority Needs Summary Tables from the **2000 Consolidated Plan** and recommend appropriate revisions. In extending the multi-year plan two (2) additional years, previous goals were reviewed and readjusted to reflect the new time frame. A description of each panel's deliberations follows.

SPECIAL NEEDS PANEL

A Special Needs Panel met to provide data on the community they serve and to prioritize the needs of the Special Needs Community. The mission of the committee was to review and revise Table 1A and 1B of the **2000 Consolidated Plan**.

Twelve (12) Homeless and Special Needs Advisory Task Force members were invited to the first meeting. Dr. Rita D'Andrea, of the University of Texas Health Science Center facilitated the process and analyzed collected data for updating the tables. Background information on the HCDD's accomplishments since the development of the 2000 Plan was reviewed. The panel met four (4) times. The first meeting was to define their task. The second meeting was to obtain data reports, review data and input the data for use in establishing rules for the priority ranking. The third and fourth meetings were joint meetings with the HIV/AIDS Special Committee to complete the priority ranking.

Because of the varied groups represented, another subgroup the HIV/AIDS Special Committee, was convened to review and revise Table 1A and 1B of the 2000 Plan. This group was also assembled to examine homeless and other housing issues affecting persons who are HIV positive, or have AIDS, and their families. Five agencies were invited to serve on this subcommittee. They met three (3) times. The first two (2) meetings focused on housing data collected in the Ryan White Needs Assessment, and defining the task of the Committee. The third and fourth meetings were joint meetings with the Special Needs Panel to complete the priority ranking.

Support services for persons with HIV/AIDS include housing and related services not funded through HOPWA, but rated high. These services include emergency vouchers, housing coordination services, emergency rental assistance and household items. All of these services are currently funded through Ryan White Title I.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PANEL

The Community Development Panel was comprised of fourteen (14) members of the Advisory Task Force representing City departments, non-profit agencies and the

Metropolitan Transit Authority. City department representatives were drawn from Public Works and Engineering, Parks and Recreation, Police, Planning and Development, Finance and Administration and the Mayor's Office. The panel met three (3) times to review information from the **2000 Consolidated Plan** and to then make recommendations as to revisions needed regarding community development issues. The focus was primarily on infrastructure and capital projects. The panel also discussed at length the need for storm drainage improvements in the wake of Tropical Storm Allison. Recommended priorities are outlined in Table 2B.

HOUSING PANEL

The Housing Panel was comprised of realtors, bankers, builders, developers, and community development corporations serving on the Advisory Task Force. Members met three (3) times to first review existing data and then add supplemental and/or updated data; then amend priorities as needed. The panel's mission was to identify the housing needs of renters, including the elderly, and homeowners who comprise the City's low and moderate income population. The results of this panel's deliberations are outlined on Table 2A.

TABLE 1A

Homeless and Special Needs Population

		Estimated Need	Current Inventory	Unmet Need/Gap	Relative Priority
<i>Individual</i>					
Example					
Beds/Units	Emergency Shelter	1,873	1,814	59	High
	Transitional Housing	5,011	3,088	1,923	Medium
	Permanent Housing	3,482	1,818	1,664	High
	Total	10,366	6,719	3,647	
Estimated Support Services Slots	Job Training	7,169	2,868	4,301	High
	Case Management	9,653	5,932	3,722	High
	Substance Abuse Treatment	2,857	1,843	1,014	High
	Mental Health Care	2,586	1,158	1,428	High
	Housing Placement	4,294	2,892	1,402	Medium
	Life Skills Training	7,169	2,868	4,301	Medium
	Chronic Substance Abusers	2,765	1,843	922	High
	Seriously Mentally Ill	163,860	107,226	56,634	High
	Dually – Diagnosed	163,860	197,226	56,634	Medium
Estimated Sub-populations	Veterans	3,584	3,072	512	Medium
	Persons with HIV/AIDS	20,482	17,392	3,091	High
	Victims of Domestic Violence	2,560	1,890	671	High
	Youth	1,536	282	1,255	Medium
Persons in Families with Children					
Example	Emergency Shelter				
Beds/Units	Emergency Shelter	1,024	933	91	High
	Transitional Housing	2,099	876	1,224	Medium
	Permanent Housing	625	182	442	High
	Total	3,748	1,991	1,757	
Estimated Support Services Slot	Job Training	3,124	922	2,202	High
	Case Management	3,124	1,700	1,424	High
	Substance Abuse Treatment	553	292	261	High
	Mental Health Care	374	112	262	High
	Housing Placement	2,099	768	1,331	Medium
	Life Skills Training	3,124	1,280	1,843	Medium
Estimated Sub-populations	Chronic Substance Abusers	553	292	261	High
	Seriously Mentally Ill	18,248	7,402	10,845	High
	Dually – diagnosed	18,248	7,402	10,845	Medium
	Veterans	282	205	77	Medium
	Persons with HIV/AIDS	358	37	322	High
	Victims of Domestic Violence	850	256	594	High
	Youth	461	76	385	Medium

*Information is not available.

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TABLE 1B

Special Needs of the Non-Homeless

<i>Sub-Populations</i>	<i>Priority Need, High, Medium, Low, No Such Need</i>	<i>Estimated Priority Units</i>	<i>Estimated Dollars To Address</i>
Elderly	Medium	123	\$938,600
Frail Elderly	High	123	Included in elderly
Severe Mental Illness	Medium	0	Not Available
Developmentally Disabled	Medium	0	Not Available
Physically Disabled	High	461	Not Available
Persons w/Alcohol/Drug Addictions	Medium	154	\$753,400
Persons w/HIV/AIDS	High	261	\$2,290,000
Other – Domestic Violence, Vets, At-Risk Youth, Immigrants, Incarcerated, Recently Released	High	461	Not Available
<i>TOTAL</i>		1,582	\$3,982,000

Table 2A

Priority Needs Summary Table

Priority Housing Needs (households)			Priority Need Level High, Medium, Low	Estimated Units	Estimated Dollars To Address
RENTER	Small Related	0-30%	High	336	\$2,772,000
		31-50%	Medium	Not a funding priority	Not a funding priority
		51-80%	Low	Not a funding priority	Not a funding priority
	Large Related	0-30%	High	1,000	\$8,250,000
		31-50%	High	1,000	\$8,250,000
		51-80%	Low	Not a funding priority	Not a funding priority
	Elderly	0-30%	High	42	\$504,000
		31-50%	High	42	\$504,000
		51-80%	High	Not a funding priority	Not a funding priority
	All Other	0-30%	High	176	\$3,520,000
		31-50%	Low	Not a funding priority	Not a funding priority
		51-80%	Low	Not a funding priority	Not a funding priority
OWNER		0-30%	High	1,538	\$12,194,200
		31-50%	Medium	744	\$1,400,000
		51-80%	Medium	2,046	\$15,397,000

TABLE 2B

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEEDS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEEDS	Priority Need - High, Medium, Low, No such need	Estimated Priority Units	Estimated Dollars to Address
PUBLIC FACILITIES NEEDS			
Neighborhood Facilities/Multi-Service Centers	High	146 Projects	\$69,039,000
Parks and/or Recreation/Sparks	High	183 Projects	\$81,770,000
Health Facilities	High	8 Projects	\$32,466,000
Library Facilities	High	34 Projects	\$67,065,000
Police Facilities	High	18 Projects	\$98,006,000
Solid Waste Disposal Improvements	Medium	17 Projects	\$28,674,000
Fire Facilities Improvements	High	24 Projects	\$76,973,000
Asbestos Removal	Low	N/A	N/A
Non-Residential Historic Preservation	Low	N/A	N/A
INFRASTRUCTURE			
Water Improvements	Medium	31 Projects	\$655,000,000
Street Improvements	High	170 Projects	\$645,000,000
Sanitary Sewer Improvements	Medium	31 Projects	\$680,000,000
Metro Transit Improvements	High	73 Projects	\$2,315,980,000
Flood Drain Improvements	High	38 Projects	\$1,200,000,000
Other Infrastructure Needs	Low	N/A	N/A
PUBLIC SERVICE NEED			
Handicapped Services	Low	250 People	\$692,280
Transportation Services	Low	640 People	\$46,287
Substance Abuse Services	High	27,150 People	\$975,000
Health Services	High	23,005 People	\$3,958,500
ANTI-CRIME PROGRAMS			
Crime Awareness	Low	N/A	N/A
Other Anti-Crime Programs	High	1,965 People	\$4,587,500
YOUTH PROGRAMS			
Youth Centers	(See Neighborhood Facilities/Multi-Service Centers)		N/A
Child Care Centers	Medium		N/A
Youth Services	High	20,725 People	\$7,345,000
Child Care Services	High	2,060 People	\$4,237,500
Other Youth Programs	Medium	19,845 People	\$4,485,000
SENIOR PROGRAMS			
Senior Center	(See Neighborhood Facilities/Multi-Service Centers)		N/A
Senior Services	High	11,190 People	\$2,346,500
Other Senior Programs	Medium	N/A	N/A

* N/A = Information not available

TABLE 2B (Continued...)

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEEDS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NEEDS	Priority Need – High, Medium, Low, No such need	Estimated Priority Units	Estimated Dollars to Address
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			
Rehab: Public – or Privately – (jobs created)	High	1,700 Jobs	\$5,750,000
Owned Commercial/Industrial	Low	N/A	N/A
Infrastructure Development	Low	N/A	N/A
Other Commercial/Industrial Improv.	Low	N/A	N/A
Micro-Enterprise Assistance	Medium	(included in jobs created above)	\$1,312,500
ED Technical Assistance	Low	(included in jobs created above)	\$3,432,500
Other Economic Development	Low	N/A	N/A
PLANNING			
Planning	Medium	N/A	N/A
TOTAL EST. DOLLARS NEEDED			\$5,983,918,000

Amended Goals

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STRATEGIC PLAN

TABLE I – HOUSING

HOUSING PROGRAM (Federal Sources)	Fiscal Years 2001-2003		PROJECTED EXPENDITURES	AMENDED GOAL Fiscal Years 2004-05	PROJECTED ALLOCATION
	GOAL	ACCOMPLISHMENTS			
SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING	6,576	4,663	\$ 31,690,063	3,109	\$ 21,130,000
MULTIFAMILY HOUSING	5,154*	3,390	\$ 22,404,500	2,260	\$ 15,000,000
TOTAL	11,730	8,053	\$ 54,094,563	5,369	\$ 36,130,000

*Includes units funded from non-federal sources, which cannot be separated from total numbers.

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STRATEGIC PLAN

TABLE II – SPECIAL NEEDS

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES	Fiscal Years 2001-2003		PROJECTED EXPENDITURES	AMENDED GOAL Fiscal Years 2004-05	PROJECTED ALLOCATION
	GOAL	ACCOMPLISHMENTS			
Homeless Assistance Supportive Services	23,750*	20,436	\$20,336,372	21,652	\$ 14,830,400
Elderly Assistance	6700*	6,714	\$ 1,627,900	4,476	\$ 938,600
Juvenile Delinquency Prevention	13,000*	13,614	\$ 2,895,000	9,076	\$ 1,930,000
Substance Abuse Assistance Houston Recovery Campus	16,000*	16,290	\$ 674,581	10,860	\$ 520,000
Assistance for Disabled Physically Disabled (Information & Referrals)**	0	6,027	0	0	\$ 0
TOTAL	59,450	63,081	\$25,533,853	46,064	\$33,988,000

* Estimate

** Information provided by Mayor's Office on Disability FY 2002 only.

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STRATEGIC PLAN

TABLE III – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Fiscal Years 2001-2003		PROJECTED EXPENDITURES	AMENDED: GOAL Fiscal Years 2004-05	PROJECTED ALLOCATION
	GOAL	ACCOMPLISHMENTS			
PUBLIC FACILITIES					
<i>Neighborhood Facilities/Libraries/ Multi-service Centers</i>	36	42	\$21,638,000	18	\$ 7,778,000
<i>Parks and/or Recreation Facilities/SPARKS Parks</i>	41	58	\$ 7,398,000	43	\$ 4,456,000
<i>Health Facilities</i>	(Included in Neighborhood Facilities above)			(Included in Neighborhood Facilities above)	
INFRASTRUCTURE					
<i>Street Improvements w/sidewalks</i>	11	12	\$6,838,000	8	\$ 6,000,000
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
<i>Rehab; Publicly – or Privately – Owned Commercial/ Industrial (Jobs)</i>	900	900	\$15,340,000 *	800	\$10,000,000*
<i>ED Technical Assistance</i>	(Included in Economic Development above)			(Included in Economic Development above)	
TOTAL	N/A	N/A	\$51,214,000	N/A	\$ 28,234,000

*Includes CDBG and Section 108 Funds.

CHAPTER III

IV. ACTIVITIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN

Housing is one of the most basic human needs. The City of Houston's housing stock is generally considered to be abundant, diverse, newer and more affordable. According to the National Association of Realtors, the median price for an existing single family unit in Houston in 2001 was \$125,000, as compared to the national norm of \$147,500 for the same year. Added to this, the "Houston Market Review 2002" covered in the Houston Chronicle reported that in 2001, 57,000 homes were sold in the local resale market, the highest annual sales total for the City. It is evident that even in this climate of economic downturn Houston's housing market remains promising for those with resources. However, for the City's low and moderate income residents, securing affordable shelter, even as a homeowner, remains a daunting challenge.

The same is also true for renters. In 2002, the National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC) concluded that an employee earning the federal minimum wage of \$5.15 an hour could not afford a "modest" two-bedroom apartment. In its report entitled **Rental Housing for America's Poor Families: Farther Out of Reach Than Ever**, NLIHC calculated the amount of money a household must be earning in order to afford a rental unit in the range of one (1) to four (4) bedrooms. The "Housing Wage" as it is called represents the amount of full time, that is 40 hours per week, a worker must earn per hour in order to afford a two-bedroom apartment at the area's Fair Market Rent. For the state of Texas, the amount is \$13.18 per hour, which is less than Houston's "Housing Wage" at \$14.37.

Nationwide, with states and municipalities confronting severe financial shortfalls, program budget cuts are being adopted which will have an adverse impact on the most fragile population, the poor, the elderly and children. Such is the case in Texas where proposed budget cuts will result in the loss of \$353 million to Harris County, in addition to the surrounding counties of Montgomery County and Fort Bend County which are projected to suffer losses of \$24 million and \$23 million, respectively. Proposed state budget cuts will affect various programs and services to vulnerable communities; the estimated loss of \$35.5 million to the Harris County Hospital District will seriously jeopardize prenatal care for low-income women and health care and trauma care for the uninsured. Other special needs populations affected by the cuts include the elderly and frail elderly and the disabled, with 125 primary home care clients, 372 frail elderly clients and twenty-nine (29) Community Based Alternative clients either receiving decreased or losing services outright. State budget cuts may also result in approximately 4,000 people who are living with HIV losing access to medication, thereby increasing the likelihood of the need for increased emergency and hospitalization services.

Devastating effects will also be felt by several agencies such as DePelchin Children's Services, will lose \$389,000, which is all of its government funding for its Second Chance Program for homeless mothers. The agency estimates that it will lose \$220,000 from its CHIP Mental Health Care program for children and youth. In addition, the Mental Health Mental Retardation Authority of Harris County (MHMRA) is projected to receive a 12.5% across the board cut that will result in approximately 1,253 adults and 294 children with reduced or no mental health services. Other mental health and special needs programs are also being considered for cuts, including a twelve percent (12%) to thirty-five percent (35%)

reduction to Harris County Psychiatric Center (HCPC), Avondale House, the Center for Hearing and Speech and Vita-Living, Inc. With the decrease in funding due to the proposed state budget cuts, it is expected that the City of Houston will also be affected by additional requests for assistance from the various needs populations. Nevertheless, the City of Houston's focus through the Housing and Community Development Department will remain the provision of safe, sanitary, affordable shelter.

The City of Houston recognizes that for the low and moderate income residents, be they homebuyer or renter; securing safe, sanitary and affordable shelter remains an acute need, requiring assistance from the public-private sectors. As a funding priority, Houston's **Housing Goal** is two-fold: (a) create and/or conserve safe, sanitary and affordable housing and (b) increase the level of homeownership to over fifty percent (50%). In order to achieve this goal, the Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) uses all available resources to create 5,000 units of affordable housing a year. The beneficiaries are homeowners, homebuyers, renters of both large and small size families, the elderly and those who have special needs such as the homeless, HIV/AIDS, mentally ill, physically disabled and youth.

Through the **Houston HomeTown** Program, HCD promotes three (3) housing strategies to realize the City's **Housing Goal** and create the desired number of housing units. First, publicize and encourage use of HCDD's competitive, market driven, open-ended Request for Proposals which is based on standard underwriting and review procedures. Second, give priority for development of city-sponsored single family projects in targeted areas of the city. Targeted areas would include First through Sixth Wards and other low and moderate income inner city neighborhoods. Third, continue to waive impact fees whenever possible. In support of **Houston HomeTown**, the City will continue to provide a \$9,500 down payment and closing cost assistance grant to low and moderate homebuyers of newly constructed homes. In the case of an existing residential unit, a grant in the amount of \$5,000 will be provided to cover down payment and closing costs. Furthermore, the department will provide administrative support to the Land Assemblage Redevelopment Authority (LARA). The authority will manage the redevelopment of tax delinquent properties and maintain an inventory of lots for residential development. These lots will be sold at below-market rates in order to expedite development of affordable housing. HCDD will continue to participate in the Developer Reimbursement Program in cooperation with the Public Works and Engineering Department.

HOUSING AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

- a) **RENTERS** - Between July 2002 and June 2003, Housing and Community Developed used CDBG and HOME funds to leverage private dollars to produce about 1,000 units of affordable multifamily housing. For Fiscal Year 2004, the 29th Program Year (July 1, 2003 – June 30, 2004), the goal is to make approximately 1,341 units of multifamily housing available to low and moderate income residents. The department projects that an additional 1,000 units will be financed through non-federal sources. HCDD will continue to promote the open-ended Request for Proposals as a tool to help finance acquisition, rehabilitation and/or new construction of rental units. For the period of July

2003 through June 2004, the department estimates that approximately 192 units will be developed for persons with disabilities, the elderly and/or frail elderly.

- b) **HOMEOWNERS** – Between July 2002 and June 2003, close to 450 elderly and disabled homeowners received federal dollars for repair of their homes through the Emergency Home Repair Program (EHRP). Unfortunately, information is not available as to the numbers of elderly and/or disabled homeowners who are currently living in substandard housing. Nevertheless, this program is heavily promoted to ensure that all eligible residents are made aware of its existence and have an opportunity to apply for assistance. As EHRP is currently structured, Phase I covers repairs up to \$7,500, Phase II up to \$20,000. In order to leverage resources, HCDD joint ventures with other agencies, including non-profits, to assist as many elderly and disabled homeowners as possible.

The Community Development Block Grant will be the major source of funds for EHRP. The department anticipates that approximately 769 eligible homeowners will receive assistance through EHRP during Fiscal Year 2004. In addition, 150 homes will receive lead hazard reduction as a result of the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program.

- c) **HOMEBUYERS** – From July 2002 through June 2003, **Houston HomeTown** assisted 595 families with down payment and closing costs. The City will continue to use HOME funds for acquisition, repair and construction of housing for sale to income-eligible homebuyers. During Fiscal Year 2004, it is projected that approximately 1,163 homebuyers will receive assistance through **Houston HomeTown**. The program's goal is to increase homeownership in Houston by one percent (1%) a year over a ten (10) year period.
- d) **HOMELESS** – For the current fiscal year, the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) was used to provide assistance to approximately 10,352 homeless persons. During FY '04, the City projects that about the same number of homeless individuals will receive ESG-funded assistance. The grant also financed "homeless prevention" assistance, which covered rent and/or mortgage payment, utilities for nearly 13,246 residents during FY '03. Projections are that about the same number of clients will be served during the next fiscal year. For the next fiscal year, the City of Houston is scheduled to receive \$1,230,000 in Emergency Shelter Grants funds. A match is required which will in part, be addressed through allocation of \$700,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds. The remaining \$530,000 will be secured from funded agencies in the form of in-kind contributions.

Homeless prevention assistance was also provided to those who are HIV positive or have AIDS. Financed by the Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) grant, 5,275 residents at risk of becoming homeless were assisted. During FY '04, it is projected that 2,000 units will remain affordable through HOPWA-funded assistance. In addition, 3,525 people will receive assistance through HOPWA-funded supportive services.

Through the 2002 Consolidated Continuum of Care application, the Houston area received \$15.6 million, an increase of three percent (3%) over the 2001 funding level. In

total, the collaborative has received \$122 million to assist the homeless. Since 1994, the Homeless Services Coordinating Council (HSCC) has maintained a collaborative process, managed by the City of Houston, Harris County and Coalition for the Homeless. Local agencies use these funds to provide housing, drug abuse treatment, job training and other services to the homeless.

Between July 2002 and June 2003, approximately 883 residents were assisted through HOPWA-financed transitional housing. In FY '04, the number is projected to increase to 1,066.

- e) **CHRONICALLY HOMELESS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS** – The 2003 Needs Assessment Survey conducted by the Coalition for the Homeless reported that on January 23, 2003, there were approximately 1,996 shelter beds available in Harris County. On the date that the shelter count was taken, there were 2,068 residents in the shelters, a 103.6 percent occupancy rate at that time. Adults comprised the majority of the 2,068 sample population. More than fifty percent (50%) were African-American, 20.9 percent were Anglo and 18.8 percent Hispanic. Veterans comprised seventeen percent (17%) of this population. Among this sample of homeless residents, twenty-six percent (26%) were reported to have some form of disability.
- f) **OTHER SUPPORTIVE SERVICES** – In addition to other projects, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) finances the provisions of child care services, juvenile delinquency prevention activities, anti-gang and after school programs. As a result of the infusion of CDBG dollars during FY '03, 412 families received child care assistance, 4,145 youth were involved in juvenile delinquency prevention activities, 256 youth participated in anti-gang projects, while 3,969 children benefitted from after school programs. Between July 2003 and June 2004, projections are that about 420 families will receive child care services, 4,000 youth will participate in juvenile delinquency prevention activities, 260 youth will be involved in anti-gang projects, and 4,000 children will benefit from after school programs.

Among those who are HIV positive or have AIDS, 5,337 received HOPWA financed social services assistance. During FY '04, the number recipients are expected to be about 5,977.

- g) **HOPWA PERMANENT CLEARINGHOUSE** – In October 2000, the Housing and Community Development (HCDD) sponsored a Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) workshop focusing on program operations. During this workshop, participants determined that duplication of client services was a major issue that needed to be addressed. As a follow-up to this workshop, the **Rent Utility and Mortgage Assistance (RUMA) Program** agencies held meetings at HCDD to develop a system to prevent duplication. The committee recommended development of a permanent computerized clearinghouse.

In July 2002, through a competitive bid process, HCDD hired a consultant to develop the permanent clearinghouse in two (2) phases with input from a focus group comprised of department staff and representatives from four (4) RUMA agencies. The permanent

clearinghouse has been operating successfully since it was launched in February 2003.

The **HOPWA Clearinghouse** is a web-based system that protects client privacy through the use of unique identifier codes. Only providers in the City's RUMA program can access the system. HCDD also has the ability to monitor provider use and run production reports as needed.

MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS

The City of Houston administers many programs that require matching funds. The City may use public improvement bonds (authorized by **City Ordinance #2002-465**) and donated land as matching contributions. In addition, the City works with The State of Texas Housing Trust Fund, the Houston Housing Finance Corporation, and other public agencies and non-profit organizations to ensure resources are available to meet the required matching contributions.

HOME Matching Funds

The HOME Program has a variety of acceptable forms of matching contributions that include the following: cash, the value of foregone interest, taxes, fees, charges, appraised value of land or real property. In addition, there are investments in on-site or off-site improvements, sweat equity, donated materials, equipment and labor, direct cost of supportive services, and homebuyer counseling services. The match requirement for the City has been met with cash contributions from its Housing and Homeless Bond and RTC Property Acquisition and Sales Programs. The City of Houston has made substantial efforts in the form of non-cash support that could be counted toward the matching requirements.

According to the **2001 Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER)**, the City of Houston has contributed \$27.9 million more in matching funds than the amount required by law. As of the end of Fiscal Year 2001, the excess match increased by \$1.8 million to \$29.7 million. This included spending during the year and spending not previously counted by the City as matching funds. Numerical information regarding the match will be updated in the 2002 CAPER, which will be submitted to HUD in September 2003.

Forms of Assistance

The City of Houston has used HOME funds for equity investments, for interest-bearing or non-interest bearing loans or advances, deferred payment loans or grants. The City has not used HOME funds to guarantee a loan; however, that does remain an option depending upon the project in question.

RECAPTURE/RESALE

The City must impose either resale or recapture requirements on the HOME-assisted property to ensure affordability of single family homes throughout the duration of the affordability period.

The City has elected to use recapture provisions, as reflected in the City's various funding agreements. The recapture provision applies if a qualified homebuyer ceases to own and occupy the home as his or her principal place of residence during the affordability period, and does not sell that home to a subsequent qualified buyer. The amount of funds subject to recapture is based on the amount of HOME assistance that enabled the homebuyer to buy the single family home.

The recapture requirements are as follows:

- The City may recapture the entire amount of the HOME Investment from the homeowner, referred to as the Recapture Amount.
- The City may reduce the recapture amount on a *pro rata* basis for the period of ownership measured against the established affordability period.
- The City may elect to forgive all or part of the recapture amount in the event the sale proceeds are insufficient to repay recapture amount and the homebuyer's investment (which includes down payment, principal payments, and any capital improvement investments).
- The City may permit the homeowner to recover his or her entire investment, which includes the down payment and capital improvements made by the owner since purchase, before recapturing the HOME investment.

PROGRAM RESOURCES

The City of Houston has access to a variety of funding mechanisms through which improvement strategies can be financed. These consist of federal, state and local programs that support housing and supportive services, public improvements, infrastructure, and economic development. For each program cited, the approximate dollar amount of funding available during the current period is identified where the City is a direct recipient.

Other grant programs are administered directly by other agencies and non-profit organizations. The resources outlined on the following tables cover two (2) categories:

- 1) **Federal Resources** – those that are expected to be available to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in this Consolidated Annual Plan;
- 2) **Other Resources** – state, local and private resources that are reasonably expected to be made available to address the needs identified in this annual plan.

FEDERAL RESOURCES

<i>SOURCE</i>	<i>PROGRAM TITLE</i>	<i>DOLLAR AMOUNT</i>
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Community Development Block Grant	\$36,992,000 \$3,000,000 Program Income
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Home Investment Partnerships Grant	14,735,474 \$500,000 Program Income
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program (Remaining Guarantee Authority thru 2006)	147,686,687
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Economic Development Initiative Grant (EDI) (Remaining Authority thru 2006)	19,509,795
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG)	1,230,000
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	5,069,000
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Continuum of Care (Supportive Housing, Shelter Plus Care Programs)*	15,000,000
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Section 202 Supportive Housing for Elderly*	N/A
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Section 811 Supportive Housing for Persons with Disabilities*	Not Active
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Moderate Rehabilitation Program*	2,822,052
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Section 8 Rental Certificate and Voucher Program*	93,518,496
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant	2,160,000
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services	Various Social Services	16,210,119
Environmental Protection Agency	EPA Brownfield Development	100,000
Small Business Administration	Loan and Loan Guarantee Programs**	433,000,000
Internal Revenue Service	EZ/EC Tax Exempt Revenue Bonds	3,000,000
Internal Revenue Service	Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) (administered by the State of Texas)*	4,527,242
U.S. Department of Transportation	Capital Improvements – City (41,997,210) And Metro Transportation Authority (116,780,000)	158,777,210
U.S. Department of Labor (thru Texas Workforce Commission)	Workforce Investment Act*	75,385,000
U.S. Department of Justice	Juvenile Accountability/Weed and Seed	2,959,863
U.S. Federal Emergency Mgmt. Agency (FEMA)	Allison Recovery/Assist. To Firefighters	750,000
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Economic Development Initiatives for Special Projects	1,172,415

OTHER RESOURCES

<i>SOURCE</i>	<i>PROGRAM TITLE</i>	<i>DOLLAR AMOUNT</i>
Texas Department of Health	Sexually Transmitted Disease Control	3,780,741
Texas Department of Aging	Area Agency on Aging	598,000
Texas Criminal Justice Division	Gang Violence Reduction Program	0
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	Park and Youth Sports	0
Texas Department of Human Resources	Social Services Block Grant (Remaining Authority)	0
Texas Department Economic Development	Texas Enterprise Zone Program	525,000
Harris County Case Management Services	Ryan White Act*	20,526,823
City of Houston	Capital Improvements Bond Program	177,525,000
City of Houston	Housing and Homeless Bond Fund	0
City of Houston	RTC Property Sale Proceeds	0
City of Houston	Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant	650,000
Houston Housing Finance Corporation	Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds	Determined by Market Demand
Houston Higher Education Finance Corporation	Education Facility Revenue Bonds	Determined by Market Demand
Houston Industrial Development Corporation	Industrial Revenue Bonds	Determined by Market Demand
Houston Health Facility Development Corporation	Health Facility Revenue Bonds	Determined by Market Demand
Metro Transit Authority	Capital Improvements Projects	463,196,000
Texas State Library	Library Funds	2,668,467
City of Houston Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones (TIRZ)	Affordable Housing Set-Aside Program	2,483,243

* City of Houston is not a direct recipient of these funds

** include funding for 32 counties

N/A – Not Available

ANTI-POVERTY STRATEGY

The period of July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004 represents the 29th Program Year. The strategy for the third year of the amended 2000 **Consolidated Plan** is that of targeting and leveraging resources. Using public and private resources to target improvements, the goals of this strategy remain multi-layered: first, improve the housing stock and the supporting infrastructure; second, expand the local economy; third, make public services available to those in need. The following plan of action is designed to assist the low and moderate income population while preserving targeted residential neighborhoods. The resources fueling Houston's Community Revitalization Anti-Poverty Strategy are:

1. The **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program** finances Public Facilities and Improvements, Housing, Public Services and Economic Development assistance activities, all in support of improving and/or maintaining the City's low and moderate income neighborhoods. Affordable housing remains the centerpiece of this strategy, which is reflected in the allocation of approximately forty-two percent (42%) of the total 29th Program Year's funds (CDBG, HOME, HOPWA) to this planning category. A significant commitment to small business development and assistance is made through the Houston Small Business Development Corporation.
2. The **Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG) Program** finances the provision of shelter and services to the homeless population or those at risk of becoming homeless. Assisting those at various stages of homelessness, the ultimate goal is to assist clients in making the transition to independent living.
3. The **HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program** promotes public-private partnerships as a vehicle for expanding the stock of affordable housing, both multi and single family, for the rental and homeowner markets. HOME finances the majority of projects through the City of Houston's open-ended Request for Proposals for Homebuyers Assistance and Multifamily Housing.
4. The **Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program** funds the provision of housing and social services to a critical special needs population. These services, which range from housing-related supportive services to rent, mortgage and/or utility assistance, represent an important source of assistance for the HIV/AIDS population.
5. **Homebuyers Program** continues to provide opportunities for homeownership for low and moderate income persons through the Houston **HomeTown Program**, which funds down payments, closing costs and pre-paid assistance coupled with education and counseling. Assistance is available for both buyers of new and existing homes. The Emergency Home Repair Program provides grants for repairs of housing owned by the elderly and/or persons with disabilities who are low-income homeowners. This program is funded by the Community Development Block Grant.
6. The HCDD works cooperatively with a number of **Tax-Related Incentive Programs** that facilitate economic growth through business development and creation of jobs. Descriptions

of each of these programs are listed below:

- a. **Tax Abatement Ordinance** – provides abatement of property tax up to ten (10) years for owners of businesses that make new capital investments and commitments to job creation.
 - b. **Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones (TIRZ) and TIRZ Affordable Housing Set-Aside** – provide tax increment revenues dedicated to infrastructure developments in twenty (20) city-designated TIRZ zones and provide set-aside revenues dedicated to the development of affordable housing throughout the city.
 - c. **New Markets Tax Credits** – provide tax incentives for businesses that make commitments to investment and job creation.
 - d. **Brownfields Tax Credits and Funding** – provides federal tax incentives and other financial incentives to businesses that commit to the redevelopment of environmentally impacted sites.
 - e. **Private Activity Bonds and Mortgage Revenue Bond Program** – provide financing of single family and multifamily developments in the private sector. Several sources of private activity bonds are Houston Housing Finance Corporation, Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation, and Texas Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program. The primary purpose of these programs is to encourage the development of affordable housing through the use of below-market financing and tax exempt incentives.
7. **The Enhanced Enterprise Community (EEC)**, which is Houston's federally designated Empowerment Zone area, provides other funding resources for housing and economic development. The EEC and its designation by HUD as a "Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area" are more fully discussed in Chapter IV. As a result of its designation as an EEC, a special financing initiative called "Blocks and Blueprints" is available to assist economic development, affordable housing and other improvements activities in the EEC.

EDI/SECTION 108

A major resource made available by Houston's designation as an Enhanced Enterprise Community was the granting of the \$22 million Economic Development Initiative (EDI) grant for use in conjunction with the Section 108 Loan Guarantee Authority. These programs continue to be promoted throughout the EEC. The original HUD-approved Section 108 Loan Guarantee established an authority to draw on the loan guarantee over the ten-year life of the program. (See below for loans made since Fiscal Year 2000.)

Houston Small Business Development Corporation - designed to assist businesses with demonstrated operating capability and ability to meet credit standards in expansions that will create or retain jobs. Loans made under this program range from \$45,000 to \$2,000,000.

FY 2000	4 Loans	\$ 460,000
FY 2001	6 Loans	\$ 909,000
FY 2002	44 Loans	\$3,798,813

Special Economic Development Loans - provides financing for large scale developmental projects that include commercial, industrial, or mixed uses and may include housing renovations or conversions (no new construction).

FY 2002	3 Loans	\$9,500,000
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EDI Capacity Grants - designed to assist businesses in the early stages of development and which may need managerial and technical assistance.

FY 2000	\$ 20,000
FY2001	\$ 27,660
FY 2002	\$ 400,000

BARRIERS TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING

According to a 2002 report titled "**Rental Housing for America's Poor Families: Farther Out of Reach Than Ever,**" housing costs in Texas remain out of reach for low-income residents. In Texas, a household earning \$16,273 which is thirty percent (30%) of the Area Median Income (\$54,243) can only afford monthly rent of \$407. The Fair Market Rent for a two bedroom unit is \$685. A minimum wage earner making \$5.15 per hour can afford monthly rent of no more than \$268. An SSI recipient receiving \$545 monthly can afford monthly rent of no more than \$164, while the Fair Market Rent for a one-bedroom unit is \$536. Added to this, in a 2002 study conducted by HUD, Hispanics, the nation's fastest-growing ethnic minority, are now more likely than blacks to face discrimination in their search for homes and apartments. While housing discrimination against minorities overall declined significantly between 1989 and 2000, it declined less for Hispanic homebuyers and not at all for Hispanic renters.

Fair Housing

In July 2001, the Department of Housing and Community Development submitted a review of the City's Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing (AI), in response to a new directive [FR-4621-N-021] issued by HUD. A comprehensive update was to be done at a time to coincide with development of the 2003 Consolidated Plan's Five-Year Strategy. Because the City has chosen to amend the **2000 Consolidated Plan** and develop the **2003 Consolidated Annual Plan**, HCDD has received HUD's approval to postpone generation of a new AI until the **2005 Consolidated Plan**. In preparation for the 2005 AI update, HCDD will conduct a comprehensive review of the City's building codes for compliance with accessibility requirements of the Fair Housing Act, and complete a comprehensive needs assessment.

Earlier, in October 1998, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) submitted a timetable to address the impediments to fair housing identified in the **1997 Analysis of Impediments (AI) to Fair Housing**. Lack of knowledge and family size were identified as two (2) of the main impediments. Corrective measures were implemented through greater distribution of written materials, and networking with social agencies, City of Houston departments, and the media.

In 2001, HCDD's Fair Housing Staff (FHS) identified another group needing assistance with fair

housing problems: the low and very low-income elderly residents who are physically and/or mentally disabled. The FHS is reaching this group largely because of networking with the Houston Center for Independent Living. In 2002, more than fifty (50) disabled complainants were assisted by the FHS.

During 2002, the FSH participated in ten (10) meetings and seminars. The fair housing handbook, "Your Guide to Landlord/Tenant Law" was distributed free to participants. The handbook, which was written by the FHS, has been updated several times and is distributed free to libraries, public and private organizations and boards, and to anyone who requests copies. It is used as an education tool to make the public aware of their rights to demand safe housing under the federal Fair Housing Act. More than 12,000 copies have been distributed since the first printing. The Fair Housing handbook, "Your Guide to Landlord/Tenant Law" and the Fair Housing Complaint Forms are now on the internet in Spanish and English at www.houstonhousing.org.

The FHS monitors both multifamily and single family contracts and construction for compliance with the Fair Housing Act. In 2002, the FHS counseled more than 3,000 complainants. Many were victims of Tropical Storm Allison, which caused flooding and devastation in 2001. The storm complainants claimed housing discrimination because they believed that they received less than fair and equal treatment from landlords and/or insurance companies during that crisis.

Those who are confronted with fair housing issues can also receive assistance from the Greater Houston Fair Housing Center (GHFHC). The Center operates as a full service organization, providing education and outreach services as well as enforcement actions in response to fair housing concerns and complaints. The goals of GHFHC are to promote equal housing, lending and insurance opportunities through education, enforcement, training and research. The general operation of the GHFHC focuses on the delivery of information about fair housing rights to individuals and groups and the education of agencies and communities about fair housing issues. GHFHC serves the greater Houston metropolitan area.

The following maps identify areas of concentration for minorities and low and moderate income residents. Minorities and the low and moderate income population are most often confronted with fair housing issues.

Needs of People with Disabilities

The goals of the Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities (MOPD) for 2002 are:

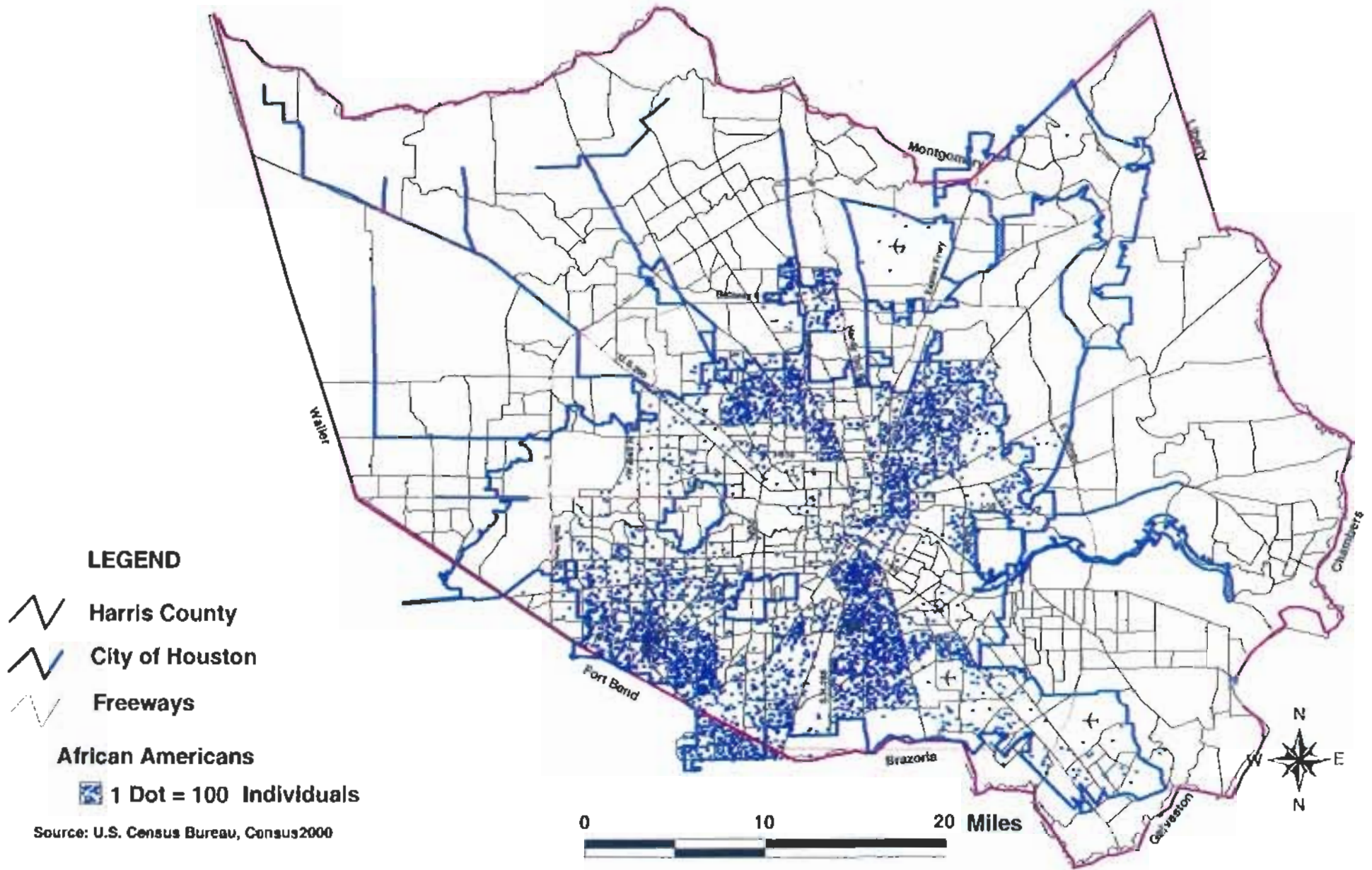
- To increase access;
- To improve customer service; and
- To increase awareness of MOPD and other City programs that serve individuals with disabilities.

During the current fiscal year, MOPD sponsored a workshop entitled "Discover the Expertise You Need as a Person with a Disability to Become an Entrepreneur" as part of the Government Procure Connections Conference. MOPD worked with the City's IT Department to develop a computerized citizen assistance tracking system to collect data, record calls and correspondence, and track requests and complaints. MOPD also developed a citizen input survey and conducted product testing for the proposed Audible Pedestrian Signal Program. The testing was conducted at three (3) high volume usage sites around Houston. In addition,

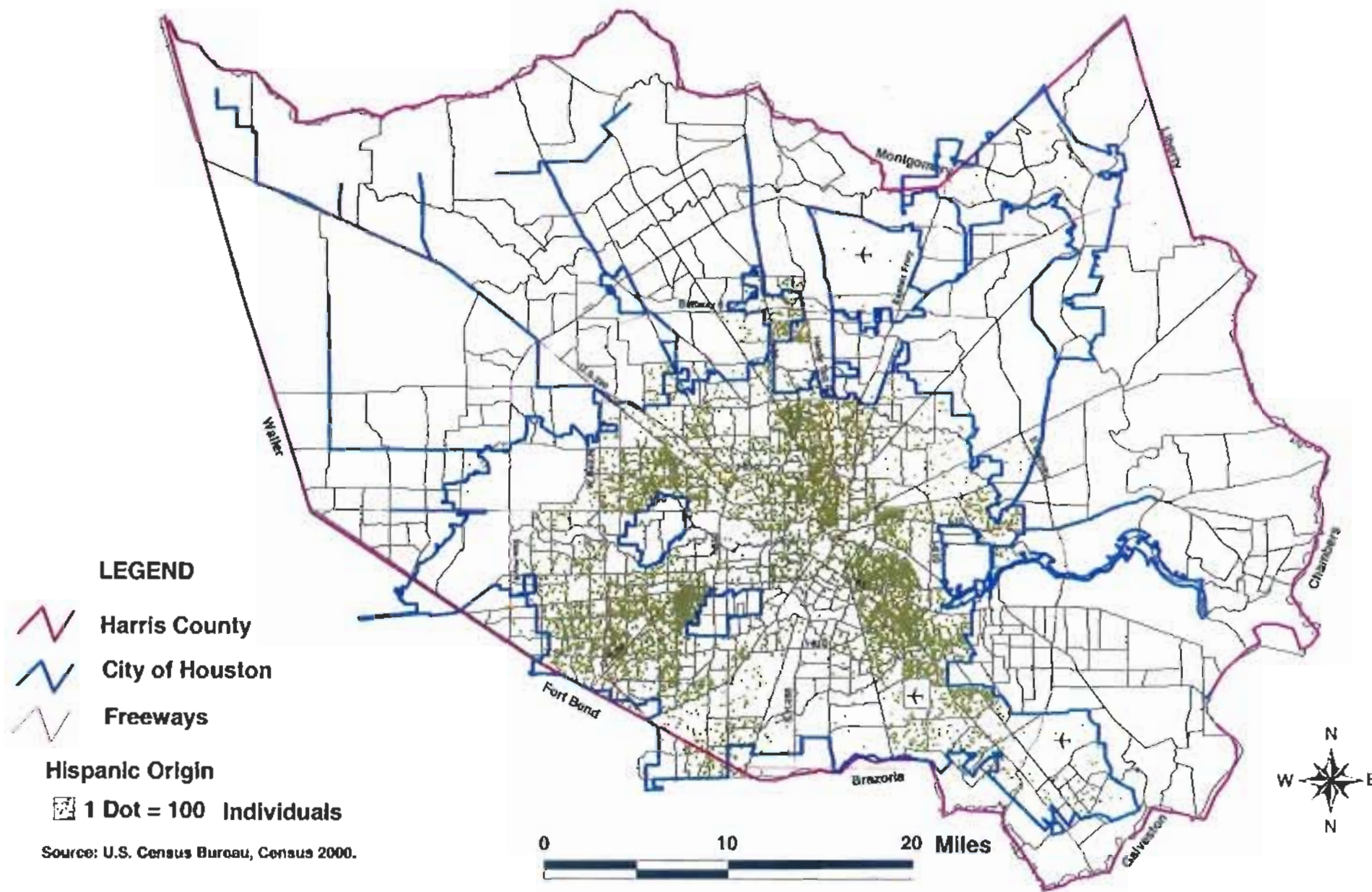
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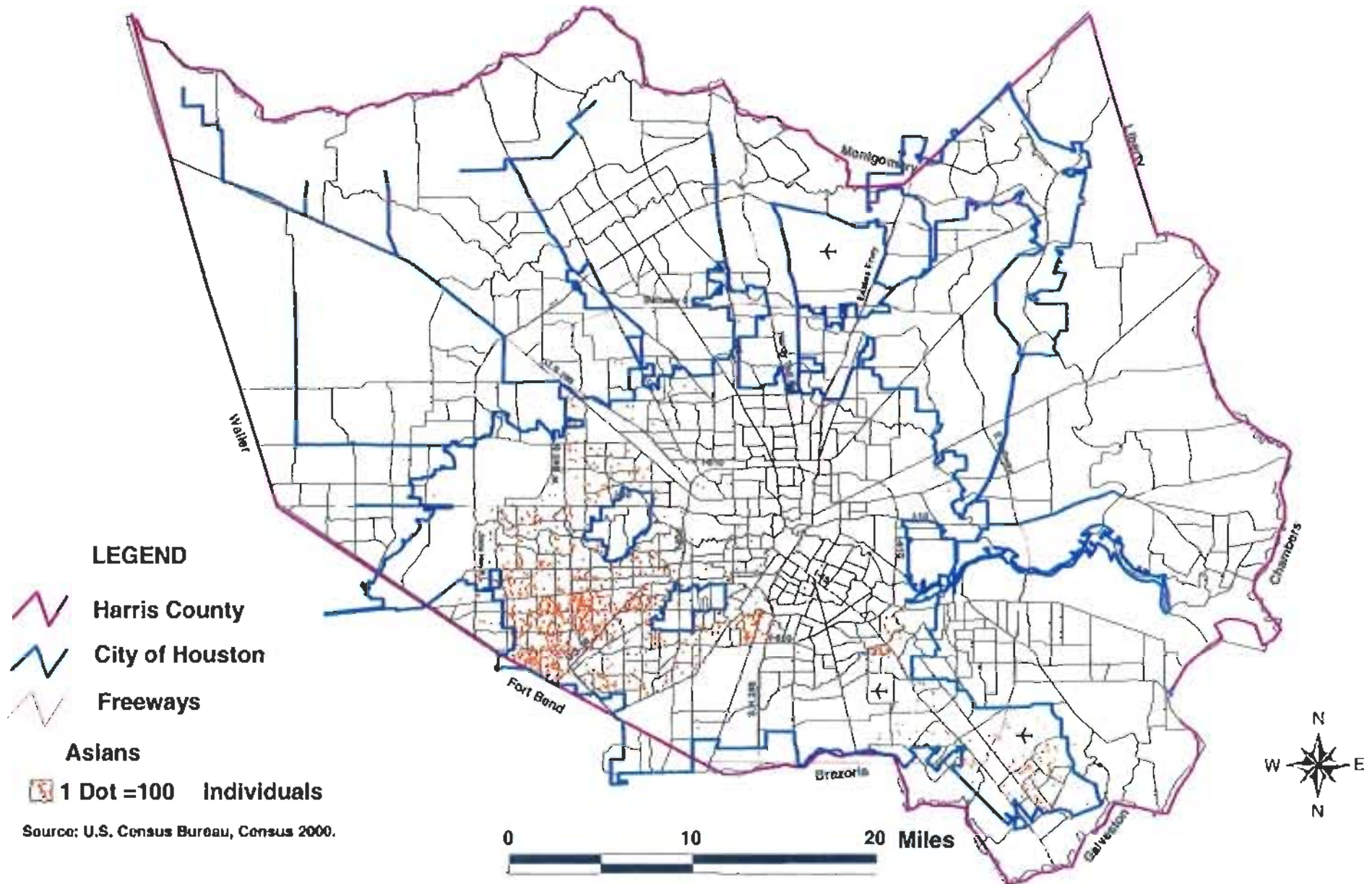
Concentration of African Americans



Concentration of Persons of Hispanic Origin



Concentration of Asians



MOPD conducted training and videotaped with 311 staff on how to handle calls from citizens with disabilities. The Mayor's Office assisted with the research and provided support in development of the proposed City visibility ordinance for basic accessibility features.

COORDINATION EFFORTS

Throughout the ten (10) years of the consolidated planning process, HCDD has both encouraged and solicited input from residents, for-profits and non-profit agencies. HCDD coordinated its participation with the Mayor's Citizen Assistance Office at the City's eleven (11) Capital Improvement Public Hearings. HCDD developed the 2003 Needs Assessment Survey distributed at each CIP Hearing, printed in English, Spanish and Vietnamese. The Survey was printed as a single return postage paid mailer. As an added convenience, the survey was electronically available at the City's website. Staff attended community meetings in minority communities to complete surveys and encourage participation in the Consolidated Plan process. In support of ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) requirements, the Department hired a signer to assist the hearing impaired during the Consolidated Plan Public Hearing held on January 16th.

HCDD worked closely with other public agencies and non-profits to highlight community revitalization issues and develop strategies for resolution. Panels and sub-committees were created for the consolidated planning process. To facilitate this process, the City of Houston hired a consultant to develop a scientific methodology, to analyze the data collected and facilitate discussions of priorities at Advisory Task Force meetings. As a result, forms and a system were developed to collect client data in a unified format in preparation for the 2005 Consolidated Plan.

A Rent Utility and Mortgage Assistance (RMUA) Program computerized clearinghouse was developed to prevent duplication of client services. A user guide was developed that incorporated HUD requirements into the program, now allowing participating agencies to access data on any client in the RUMA program while maintaining client confidentiality. The clearinghouse was developed with the capacity to include more agencies and be integrated into similar programs as a local one-stop shop for clients.

The Housing Authority of the City of Houston (HACH) is proposing to create 370 housing units for renters at a cost of \$27,000,000. For the elderly, 130 units will be developed at a cost of \$9,750,000. In addition sixty-four (64) units will be created through the Homebuyers Assistance Program. The Housing Authority will use \$320,000 to fund this program.

The Houston office of the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) has completed the second year of a three-year public-private pilot project called the Greater Houston Organizational Development Program (GHODP). The program's goal is to assist both mature and emerging Community Development Corporations (CDCs). GHODP seeks to provide development assistance to move each CDC to the next level of competency. To evaluate their progress, participants periodically complete work plans and submit related progress reports. Since the inception of the program, participants have developed 270 units of housing. Nine (9) organizations have received grants from proposals written as part of Grant Writing II training. These funds will be used for operating support, project development, computer equipment and software, construction site supplies, youth programs and land acquisition. The GHODP is funded by the City of Houston, United Way of the Texas Gulf Coast, Houston Endowment and HUD Section IV Program.

PUBLIC HOUSING IMPROVEMENTS

The Housing Authority of the City of Houston (HACH) currently receives funding for modernization projects through the Capital Fund Program (CFP). The CFP is designed to assist larger Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) which operate five hundred (500) or more public housing units. These larger agencies carry out their modernization programs with greater flexibility, local control and a reliable source of funding. In order to receive funding under the CFP, HACH is required to develop a comprehensive plan and submit it to HUD for approval. The plan must be developed in consultation with residents and the local government. HACH submitted its most recent comprehensive plan under this program to HUD in October of 2002. The plan consisted of an Executive Summary; Physical Needs Assessment (including viability and cost analysis); Management Needs Assessment; Five-Year Action Plan; Annual Statement; Local Government Statement; and PHA Board Resolution. In the plan, HACH outlined in detail the improvements to be made in the management and operations of public housing and in the living environment of public housing residents. The annual statement sets forth the amount of funds by category to be spent on improvements during the first year under the program. The Five-Year Action Plan sets forth amounts by category to be spent during the next five (5) fiscal years. Brief descriptions of current public housing modernization projects follow.

Allen Parkway Village (Historic Oaks of Allen Parkway)

The revitalization of Allen Parkway Village, now called the Historic Oaks of Allen Parkway, includes the demolition of 677 multifamily rental units and the construction of five hundred (500) multifamily rental units (222 rehabilitated units and 278 newly constructed units). Using funding from HOPE VI Program, the Housing Authority City of the Houston completed the redevelopment of five hundred (500) units on site in December 2000. The development is currently one hundred percent (100%) occupied and the same is true of the 156 Low-Income Housing Tax Credit units.

Along with the revitalization of Allen Parkway Village, five hundred (500) units of off-site replacement housing (50 rehabilitated historic rental/homeownership units, 250 newly constructed homeownership units, 100 newly constructed multifamily units in Fourth Ward, 100 newly constructed multifamily rental units throughout the city) has been funded. HACH is in progress of rebuilding the Neighborhood Resource Center (NRC) at Allen Parkway Village. The NRC will house a Self-Sufficiency Program along with day care services. Construction will be completed in 2003.

Victory Apartments

In August 2000, the Housing Authority of the City of Houston completed construction of one hundred (100) affordable rental units in the Fourth Ward. The project was funded with HOPE VI, CDBG and HOME funds. Construction was completed in December 2001 and all units are occupied.

Historic Rental Program

The redevelopment of forty (40) single family units in the Fourth Ward area began in mid-November 2001 for the abatement and demolition phase. The renovation phase and new construction phase began in April 2002. Phase I & II are completed and ready for occupancy.

Historical Homeownership Program

This project will provide homeownership opportunities for low-income clients through the rehabilitation of forty (40) historical units in the Fourth Ward. This activity is currently on hold pending resolution of the sale of lots to HACH by Hou-Tex Redevelopment Corporation.

Freedmen's Town Homeownership Program

This activity will encourage homeownership through the construction of thirty-five (35) units in the Fourth Ward. The Housing Authority and Hou-Tex Redevelopment Corp were scheduled to close the transaction on assembling lots and transferring land title on December 29, 2000. This project is on hold pending the sale of the lots to the Housing Authority.

Loan-to-Purchaser Program

Under the Loan-to-Purchaser Program, HACH will provide 215 eligible homebuyers with forgivable loans or grants of approximately \$5,000 to \$50,000 to assist the family in the acquisition of a home. The program's duration is eighteen (18) months. HACH developed operating procedures and implemented the program. The first loan closing occurred on November 16, 2001, and as of this date twenty (20) loan closings have been completed.

Fulton Village

The Housing Authority has contracted to build 108 new units, replacing existing structures in Fulton Village. Construction is underway and is scheduled to be complete in August 2003.

Clayton Homes

Project work involves a multi-year, phased modernization of 296 dwelling units and the construction of a new Administrative/Maintenance/Community (AMC) Center. Comprehensive interior and exterior rehabilitation of units is underway, including roof replacement; mechanical, electrical, and plumbing improvements; landscaping; sidewalks and other site improvements. Phase I, consisting of thirty-two (32) units, was completed February 18, 1999; Phase II, consisting of seventy-two (72) units, was completed August 10, 1999; and Phase III, consisting of forty (40) units, was completed October 18, 2000. Phase IV consists of forty-four (44) units that were completed on July 1, 2002. Construction of Phase V consisting of forty-eight (48) units along with the new AMC building began in January 2003 and is scheduled for completion in January 2004.

Kelly Village

Project work encompasses multi-year, phased modernization of 333 dwelling units and the construction of a new Administrative/Maintenance/Community (AMC) and Day Care facilities. Comprehensive interior/exterior unit improvements were completed in February 2003 in Phase IV which includes installation of new hearing equipment, replacement of roofs, construction of porches, replacement of bath fixtures, painting, new hot water units, appliance replacement and

landscaping. Phase I, consisting of fifty-two (52) units, was completed September 23, 1999; and Phase II, consisting of thirty-four (34) units, was completed July 19, 2000. Construction of Phase III consisting of thirty-two (32) units was completed in January 2002. The new AMC building and modernization of Phase VI will begin in May 2003.

Irvington Village

Project improvements involve a phased, multi-year modernization of 318 dwelling units and construction of a new Administrative/Maintenance/Community (AMC) Center and Day Care facility. Unit improvements are currently completed and include comprehensive interior and exterior rehabilitation involving roof design and replacement; window replacement; central mechanical systems, electrical, and plumbing improvements; replacement of appliances; painting; landscaping and other common area improvements. Phase I, consisting of forty-eight (48) dwelling units, was completed January 6, 2000; Phase II, consisting of forty-two (42) units, was completed February 22, 2000; Phase III, consisting of twenty-four (24) units, was completed February 22, 2001. Phase IV, which involved modernization of forty-eight (48) units and roof replacement, was completed in September 2002. Phase V covered renovation of forty-two (42) units, which was completed in February 2003. Planning for demolition of existing administration and community and maintenance buildings with replacement of the new AMC building is underway along with modernization of forty-eight (48) units.

LEAD-BASED PAINT HAZARD REDUCTION

The City of Houston Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) and the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) work closely to reduce the lead hazard in Houston. DHHS administers the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant Program and HCDD provides a grant match of \$650,000 in bond funds. The purpose of this program is to identify children six (6) years old and younger that are at risk of being poisoned by lead-based paint. This goal will be accomplished through the following activities: reducing lead hazards in units contaminated with lead-based paint; educating the public about the hazards of lead-based paint; conducting outreach and blood screening for children ages six (6) and under; and relocating families during the lead abatement activity. DHHS will perform lead hazard reduction on approximately one hundred (100) units during Fiscal Year 2004 and will continue to provide program guidance, pursue and coordinate all available grants, perform blood-lead testing, train additional inspectors and hire abatement contractors. In addition, the Health Department will continue to inspect housing units undergoing repairs and renovations by the Housing and Community Development Department. HCDD estimates that DHHS will provide lead-based paint testing on approximately 150 housing units during the period of July 2003 through June 2004.

MONITORING

To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, and other federal and contractual requirements, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development requires Grant Recipients to establish a monitoring system to ensure objective reviews of HUD programs and activities. As a Grant Recipient of HUD funds, the City of Houston's Housing and Community Development Department has the primary responsibility for conducting periodic monitoring reviews of the operations of HUD-funded projects, and the entities which sponsor such projects.

Monitoring is conducted primarily through periodic on-site inspections of entities receiving HUD funds and through desk reviews of financial and programmatic reports associated with these entities. The results of these efforts are used to identify existing, potential or emerging problems and to recommend corrective action, when necessary.

Monitoring reviews are conducted on all services-oriented contracts receiving federal funds. Higher priority is given to those agencies receiving first-time federal funding for programs, agencies receiving substantial amounts of funding, and problem agencies. Remaining programs are evaluated to determine when monitoring will be conducted. Each agency is monitored at least once during a twenty-four (24) month period.

"Subrecipient-type" monitoring is conducted on CDBG subrecipients, HOME subrecipients and Community Housing Development Organizations (that receive capacity building funds), and HOPWA project sponsors. These types of entities provide services to clients of federally funded programs. As a result of their use of the federal funds, these entities are required to comply with the same federal regulations with which the City of Houston must comply. During the monitoring visit, and in the monitoring report, monitors review and detail a background summary of the entity and its project activity. This includes an analysis of the entity's project performance based on the scope of work in the contract, regulatory compliance with federal regulations according to Code of Federal Regulations and Financial Accountability compliance with CFRS and/or Office of Management and Budget Circulars. When findings and/or concerns are identified in the monitoring report, the monitor continues to follow-up with the entity until a resolution has been achieved.

Affordability monitoring is conducted on CDBG and HOME-funded multifamily housing and HOPWA-funded community residence projects. Federal regulations identify certain conditions and/or protections, which the developer/landlord must provide to the tenants of these funded projects. Conditions include, but are not limited to, compliance with regulations affecting affordable rent limitations, tenant eligibility, tenant lease protections and affirmative marketing.

Labor Standards monitoring is conducted by Contract Compliance Officers. The federal Davis-Bacon Act requires that construction projects receiving federal funds for new construction or rehabilitation must pay workers on these projects wages prescribed by the U.S. Department of Labor for various classifications. Monitoring is conducted on these projects to ensure that construction workers are being paid the appropriate hourly rate for the jobs they are performing on the site.

The Contract Compliance Officers conduct on-site visits to randomly interviewed workers and also receive weekly payrolls from the project general contractor and all subcontractors. Payrolls are reviewed to ensure that the contractor and the subcontractors are paying workers the prescribed pay rate for each classification. When wage underpayments are identified, the contractor is informed by the Contract Compliance Officers, who will continue to follow-up until the underpayment situation has been resolved.

SUMMARY OF MONITORING OBJECTIVES

- To determine if an entity is carrying out its grant-funded program, and its individual activities, as described in the application for federal assistance and Agreement with the City of Houston.
- To determine if an entity is carrying out its activities in a timely manner, in accordance with the schedule included in the Agreement.
- To determine if an entity is charging costs to the project, which are eligible under applicable laws and federal regulations and reasonable in light of the services or products delivered.
- To determine if an entity is conducting its activities with adequate control over program and financial performance, and in a way that minimizes opportunities for waste, mismanagement, fraud and abuse.
- To assess if the entity has continuing capacity to carry out the approved project, as well as other grants for which it may apply.
- To identify potential problem areas and to assist the entity in complying with applicable laws and regulations.
- To assist entities in resolving compliance problems through discussion, negotiation, and the provision of technical assistance and training.
- To provide adequate follow-up measures to ensure that performance and compliance deficiencies are corrected by entities, and not repeated.
- To determine if any conflicts of interest exist in the operation of the federally funded program.
- To ensure that required records are maintained to demonstrate compliance with applicable regulations, such as rent, occupancy, family income, minimum property standards, Fair Housing, Affirmative Action and Davis-Bacon wage rates.
- To conduct site visits/inspections of HOME, HOPWA, and/or CDBG-assisted units to ensure that said units are in full compliance with all applicable regulations, codes and ordinances.

GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDING

For the last nine (9) years of the Consolidated Plan process, targeting of resources has remained a major strategy for initiating and/or sustaining revitalization of Houston neighborhoods. The overall goal is to stimulate improvement activities in selected areas through an infusion of public-private resources. Using the "targeting" approach, the City of Houston seeks to create an environment that encourages property owners, homeowners, renters and the private sector to support and participate in neighborhood revitalization efforts. The City's "geographic targeting" is applied to areas of minority concentration (see maps on pages 37-40) and to Community Development Areas (CDA); Neighborhood To Standard (NTS) areas; the Enhanced Enterprise Community/Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas (EEC/NRSA); Homeownership Zones (HZ); and Tax Increment Finance Reinvestment Zones (TIRZ).

- a. **Neighborhoods-To-Standard (NTS)** – Established in 1992, the NTS Program is the mechanism for the public sector, the private sector and neighborhood residents to joint venture to achieve community improvement. In the twelfth year of the program, there are currently 121 NTS areas. Plans are to add up to fourteen (14) more neighborhoods in Fiscal Year 2004. (See map of NTS neighborhoods.) The majority of the NTS areas are located in Community Development Areas. The criteria for selection are:
1. Demonstrate need;
 2. Concentration of low and moderate income residents;
 3. Potential to coordinate with public and private investment initiatives;
 4. Strength, experience and level of commitment of community development corporations, civic groups and/or other non-profits in the areas; and
 5. Implementation of future capital improvement projects; and
 6. Consistency with the City of Houston Neighborhoods To Standard Program.
- b. **Other Targeting Initiatives** – Houston's Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA), represented by the Enhanced Enterprise Community, is another area in which public dollars will be funneled for special revitalized activities.
- c. **Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones (TIRZ)** – TIRZs are geographic areas designed by City Council for the purpose of funding public improvements and services necessary for the zone's development and/or redevelopment. (See the map of TIRZs.) Funds are generated by the increment in tax revenues for new improvements within the TIRZ. Expenditures are budgeted in a TIRZ Development Plan, which must be approved by City Council. There are currently twenty (20) such zones:
- TIRZ # 1 – Lamar Terrace St. George Place
 - TIRZ # 2 – Midtown
 - TIRZ # 3 – Market Square
 - TIRZ # 4 – Village Enclaves
 - TIRZ # 5 – Memorial Heights
 - TIRZ # 6 – Eastside
 - TIRZ # 7 – OST/Almeda Corridor
 - TIRZ # 8 – Gulfgate
 - TIRZ # 9 – South Post Oak
 - TIRZ # 10 – Lake Houston
 - TIRZ # 11 – Greater Greenspoint
 - TIRZ # 12 – City Park
 - TIRZ # 13 – Old Sixth Ward
 - TIRZ # 14 – Fourth Ward
 - TIRZ # 15 – East Downtown
 - TIRZ # 16 – Uptown
 - TIRZ # 17 – Memorial City
 - TIRZ # 18 – Fifth Ward
 - TIRZ # 19 – Upper Kirby
 - TIRZ # 20 – Southwest Houston

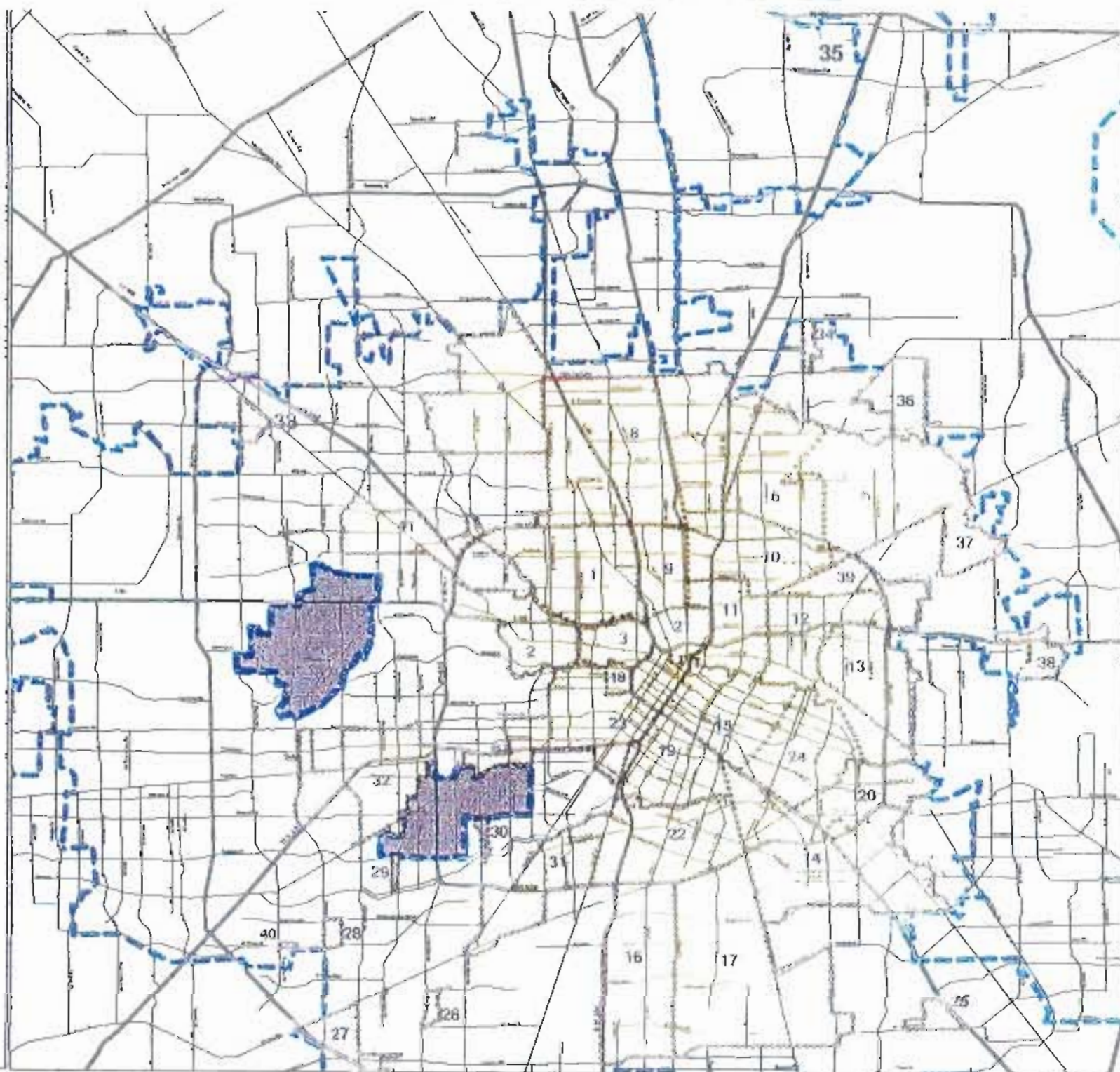
City of Houston Community Development Areas

1. Heights/Shady Acres
2. West End/Cottage Grove
3. First & Six Ward
4. Acres Homes
5. Southeast
6. Trinity Gardens
7. Tidwell/Jensen
8. Northline/Lake York/Independence Heights
9. Moody Park
10. Kashmere
11. Fifth Ward
12. Denver Harbor
13. Fidelity/Placerville
14. Gulfgate
15. Second Ward/Navigation/Near East End
16. Sunnyside
17. Southpark/Allen Farms/Airport Gardens
18. Fourth Ward
19. Third Ward
20. Magnolia/Manchester
21. Near North Side
22. Forest Place/MacGregor
23. Montrose/Sunset Terrace/Montclair
24. Harrisburg/Wayside
25. Alameda-Corona
26. Rumblewood
27. Southmain Estates
28. Northbrook
29. Newwood Meadows/Breastcreek
30. Wake Forest
31. Astrodome/South Main
32. Glenhaven/South West Carvercrest
33. Caverdale
34. Edgeworth/North Wood Manor
35. Bonlenville
36. Melbourne/Wood Glen/Kenshire
37. Greens Bayou/Mazzy Estates
38. Woodland Acres/Greens Bayou Park
39. Eldorado
40. Riceville
41. Northwest Mall






— CD Areas
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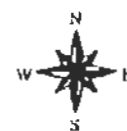


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This is a detailed map of Houston, Texas, showing the city's layout with major highways, streets, and various colored regions. The map includes labels for major roads like N. Sam Houston Pkwy, Northwest Fwy, and I-10. It also shows numerous numbered areas, likely representing different districts or zones, and a network of smaller streets. The map is oriented with North at the top.

	Freeway
	Major Road
	Proposed Road
	Water Line
	City Limit



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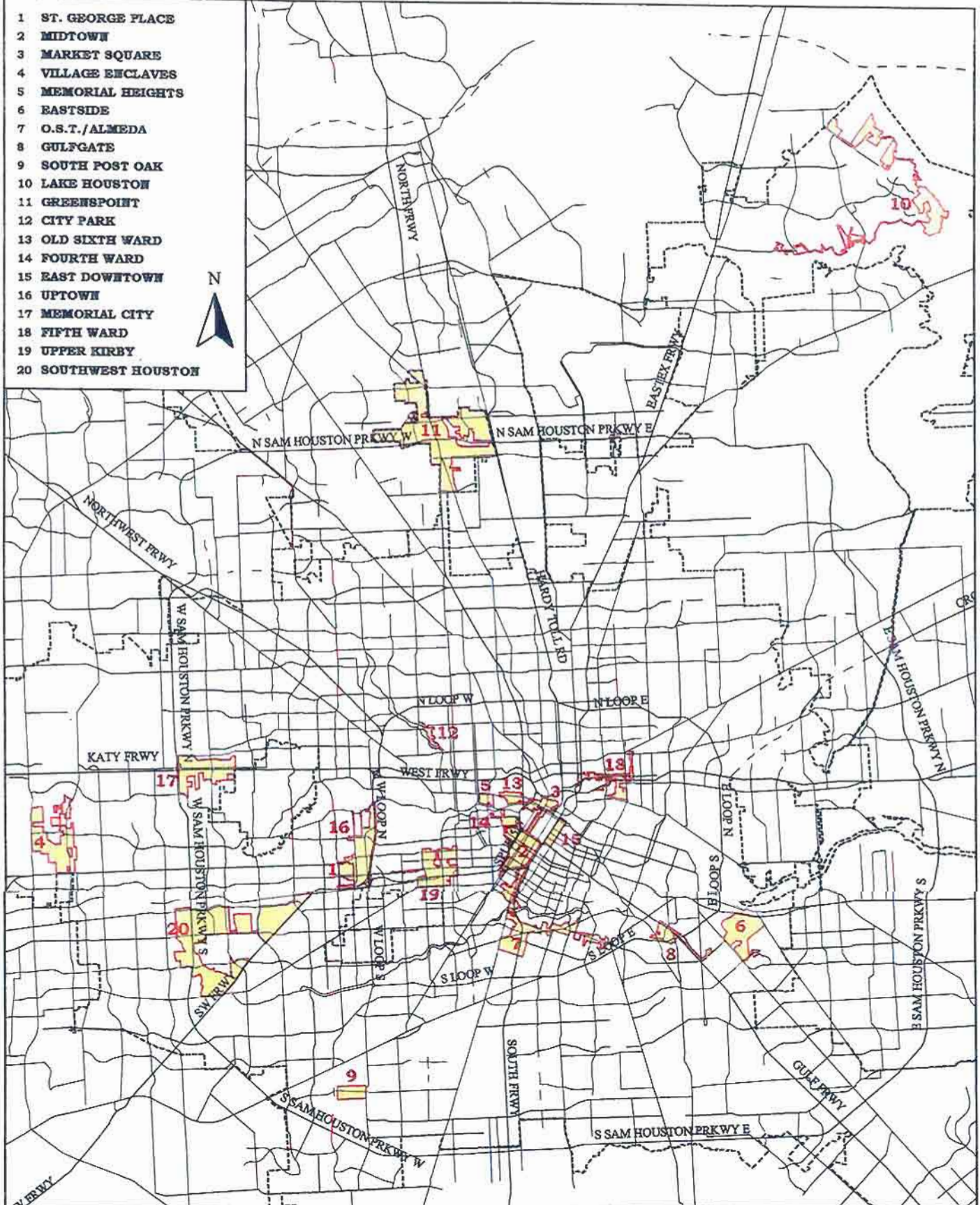


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City of Houston Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones

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- 1 ST. GEORGE PLACE
- 2 MIDTOWN
- 3 MARKET SQUARE
- 4 VILLAGE ENCLAVES
- 5 MEMORIAL HEIGHTS
- 6 EASTSIDE
- 7 O.S.T./ALMEDA
- 8 GULFGATE
- 9 SOUTH POST OAK
- 10 LAKE HOUSTON
- 11 GREENSPPOINT
- 12 CITY PARK
- 13 OLD SIXTH WARD
- 14 FOURTH WARD
- 15 EAST DOWNTOWN
- 16 UPTOWN
- 17 MEMORIAL CITY
- 18 FIFTH WARD
- 19 UPPER KIRBY
- 20 SOUTHWEST HOUSTON



Planning & Development Department
Information Technology Systems Division
Map Date: March, 2001

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- d. **Texas Enterprise Zone Program** – The City of Houston participates in the Texas Enterprise Zone Program through the creation of Enterprise Zones and the nomination of Enterprise Projects. Designation of a business as an Enterprise Project enables the business to receive franchise tax reductions and sales tax refunds at a rate of \$2,000 for each new job created. There are currently two (2) state designated Enterprise Zones; and under the state program, the Enhanced Enterprise Community (EEC) automatically receives State Enterprise Zone designation, thereby making the state incentives available in combination with the federal resources for projects in the EEC.
- e. **Homeownership Zones** – Special designations bestowed on sections of Fourth Ward and Third Ward to increase acquisition and/or renovation of housing to complement the increase in population. Through the construction of affordable housing, the overall economic strength of these areas is expected to increase. Houston is pursuing improvement strategies designed to increase private investment and secure stability in both areas.

The Houston Housing Finance Corporation administered the Fourth Ward Homeownership Zone to develop affordable housing. The strategy remains one of building or rehabilitating single-family homes for sale to individual owners using a combination of public and private resources.

CHAPTER IV

V. ENHANCED ENTERPRISE COMMUNITY

The City has designated the Enhanced Enterprise Community (EEC) as its **Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA)**. The Houston EEC is an approximately twenty-square mile area comprised of the Central Business District (CBD) and nine (9) central city neighborhoods. (See map of the EEC.) The overall EEC is divided into six (6) zones. The Houston's Enhanced Enterprise Community was created for the following purposes:

- To expand the supply of affordable housing by increasing opportunities for homeownership, improving existing homes and stabilizing and/or upgrading existing multi-family properties;
- To expand existing and/or create new businesses through the revitalization of key commercial corridors in order to increase opportunities for employment and job training; also, to provide EEC businesses with access to technical assistance and business development;
- To implement programs that benefit children and youth, creating linkages and partnerships among social services agencies, educational institutions, crime prevention organizations, health providers and the business community for provision of nurturing support to sustain families.

Current and planned activities that impact the EEC are detailed in the "Empowerment Zone/Enterprise Community Annual Report," submitted to the U. S. Department of HUD for the year 2002. A summary of activities follows.

During the twelve (12) months ending June 30, 2002, community governance and involvement was achieved through the Enhanced Enterprise Community's neighborhood councils, individual program participants in each of the six (6) zones and community wide-projects with representation from all of the zones.

An annual meeting for all neighborhood representatives was held in June 2002 to bring all members up to date on EEC activities and to review the information to be included in the Annual Report. Each zone contributed their most recent activities for inclusion in the final document. It was decided at the annual meeting to hold quarterly meetings during the next twelve (12) months in addition to individual neighborhood council zone meetings. The neighborhood zone councils are still quite active and meet on a frequent basis and now have expanded community outreach organizations.

One of the best examples of community-based partnership is the Houston Information Technology Empowerment Consortium (HITEC). The initiative is comprised of representatives from non-profit organizations, corporations, small businesses, local and state government entities, local special interest groups/clubs, and educational institutions. Many of the participants in HITEC have either served on the EEC original governance board or now serve on an EEC neighborhood council. One of the primary goals over the next few months will be for HITEC to partner with a new City of Houston sponsored program to provide Internet and computer access to residents. The area to be targeted during the initial program implementation will be the Enhanced Enterprise Community.

Among the EEC Zones, the majority of new construction underway is in Zone six (6). The reason for this high volume is that the Central Business District is part of this zone. Several historic office buildings have been converted into hotels. The Convention Center Hotel, currently under construction, will add an additional 1,200 rooms to the City's inventory. Also under construction is the Arena Basketball Stadium and expansion of the George R. Brown Convention Center. More residential units are under construction, in addition to the new rail line, which is scheduled for completion in 2004. Almost every street in the Central Business District has undergone some form of reconstruction or added amenities such as wider sidewalks, decorative street lighting, landscaping, and artwork.

Zone 1

Market rate townhomes (\$279,000 to \$500,000) are being constructed throughout this zone. Affordable housing is also being developed through the efforts of Community Housing Development Organizations operating in First and Sixth Wards and in Fourth Ward/Freedman's Town neighborhoods. This zone boasts the presence of three (3) Tax Increment Financing Zones (TIFZ). Each TIFZ uses a portion of the tax increment to improve neighborhoods through infrastructure, beautification and safety improvements.

Zone 2

A Greater East End Management District has been established to help finance economic development projects. The management district was awarded \$2,166,672 to finance streetscape improvements along with safety patrols by six (6) deputies in the project areas. On Arbor Day 2002, 550 trees were planted along two (2) major thoroughfares in the zone. In addition, the El Mercado complex (an old abandoned warehouse) will be converted into lofts. Townhomes are scheduled to be built on the same site.

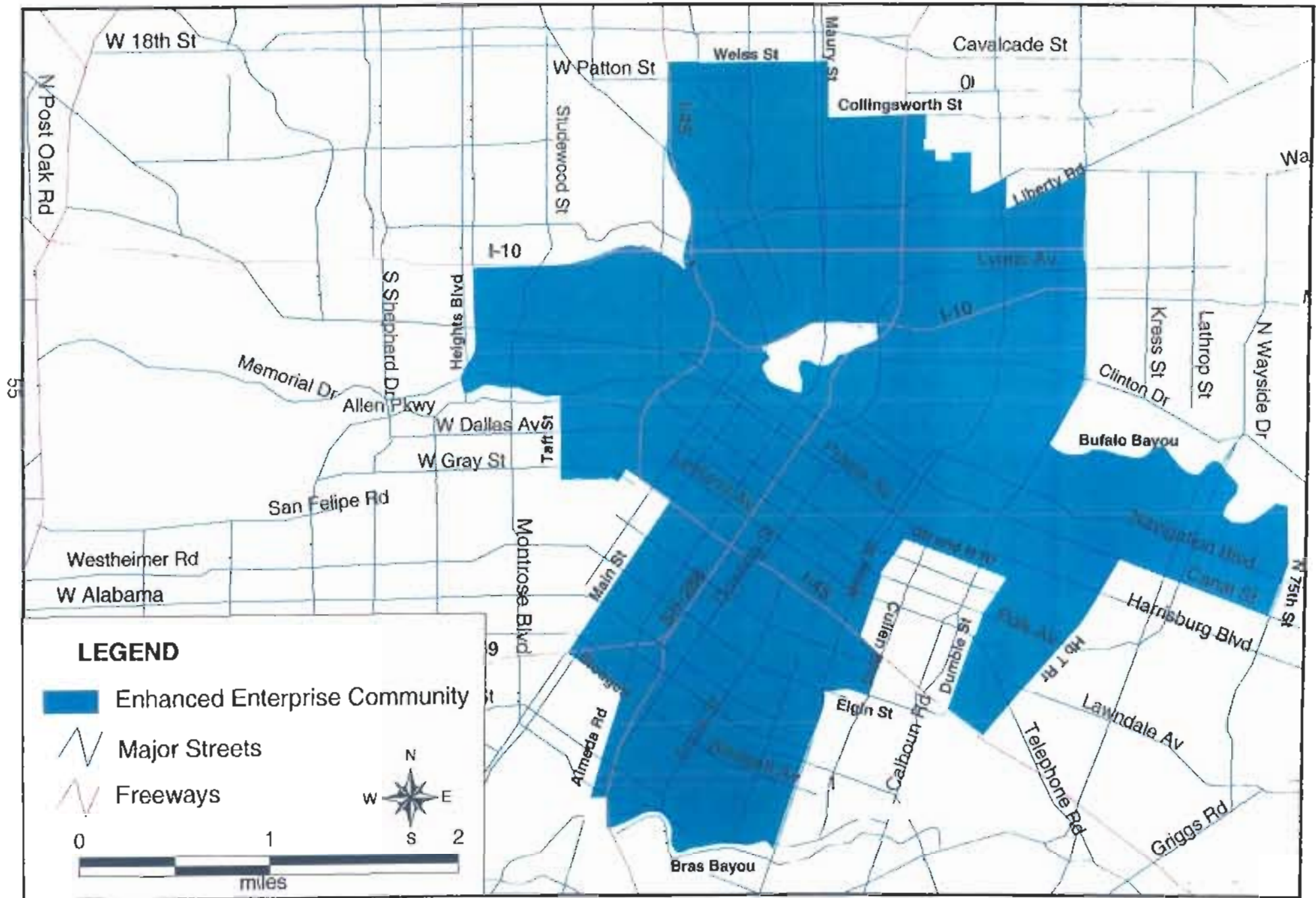
Zone 3

Third Ward and Mid-Town are two (2) of the prominent neighborhoods located in this zone. Both have been the sites of a tremendous amount of residential construction in the last two (2) years. A Tax Increment Financing Zone and a Redevelopment Authority have been established to promote and sustain residential and economic growth. In Mid-Town, 2,707 apartments have been completed; 282,000 square feet of commercial; 25,000 square feet of restaurant; and 594,000 square feet of refurbished office space have been developed. In Third Ward, a Connectivity Project has received funding from the Federal Highway Commission. The goal of the project is to explore strategies for connecting Zone three (3) neighborhoods to the new rail line and major activity centers, such as the Central Business District, Reliant Park, and the Medical Center.

Zone 4

Northside Redevelopment Corporation (NRC) received a Ford Foundation grant to develop a Time Dollar Program, which combines community activities with goods and services. In addition, NRC has completed its second Head Start project, which is located at 3701 Hardy Street. The facility serves 110 children between the ages of 3 and 5 years old. NRC has also acquired a building at 3401 Hardy for use as a charter school for YES College Prep, Incorporated. Through use of Qualified Zone Academy Bonds (QZAB), Jeff Davis High School

City of Houston Enhanced Enterprise Community



has received improvements totaling \$10,400,000.

Zone 5

This area, along with Zone four (4), has received designation as a Weed and Seed project site. Potential funding for program activities could reach \$1,000,000 over the next five (5) years.

CHAPTER V

VI. APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING

- A. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- B. HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)
- C. Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG)
- D. Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA)

FUNDING SOURCES

The following represents a detailed breakdown of anticipated federal allocations, by program, and projected "Program Income." The total of \$58,416,000 will finance improvement projects during the 29th Program Year (July 1, 2003 – June 30, 2004). Details on Proposed Projects begins on page 79.

Entitlement Grant (includes reallocation funds)

CDBG	\$36,992,000
ESG	\$ 1,230,000
HOME	\$14,735,474
HOPWA	\$ 5,069,000

Sub-Total

Prior Years' Program Income NOT previously programmed or reported

CDBG
ESG
HOME
HOPWA

Sub-Total \$ 0

Total Estimated Program Income

CDBG & HOME

Sub-Total \$ 3,500,000

Section 108 Loan Guarantee Fund \$ 0

Total Funding Sources

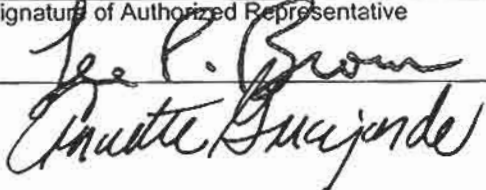
Other Funds \$ 0

Submitted Proposed Projects Totals \$61,526,474

Un-Submitted Proposed Projects Totals

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)
Budget Detail
(2003 – 2004)

Application for Federal Assistance

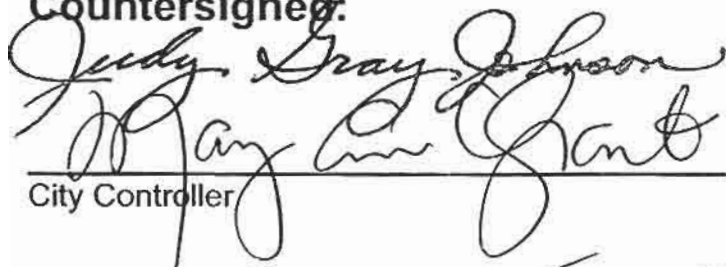
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		4. Date Received by Federal Agency	Federal Identifier	
5. Applicant Information				
Legal Name City of Houston		Organizational Unit Housing and Community Development		
Address 601 Sawyer P. O. Box 1562 Houston, TX 77251		Contact Daisy A. Stiner 713-868-8305		
6. Employer Identification Number (EIN): 746001164		7. Type of Applicant: Municipal		
8. Type of Application: Type: New		9. Name of Federal Agency: U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development		
10. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: Catalog Number: 14:218 Assistance Title: Community Development Block Grant		11. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project: 2003 Community Development Block Grant Program (Public Facilities and Improvements, Housing Assistance, Public Services, Planning, Economic Development, Dangerous Building/Code Enforcement, Program Administration)		
12. Areas Affected by Project: City of Houston				
13. Proposed Project:		14. Congressional Districts of:		
Start Date 07/01/03	End Date 06/30/04	a. Applicant 7,8,9,18,22,25,29	b. Project 7,8,9,18,22,25,29	
15. Estimated Funding:		16. Is Application Subject to Review by State Executive Order 12372 Process? Review Status: Program not covered		
a. Federal \$36,992,000				
b. Applicant \$0				
c. State \$0				
d. Local \$0				
e. Other \$0				
f. Program Income \$3,000,000				
g. Total \$39,992,000		17. Is the Applicant Delinquent of Any Federal Debt? No		
18. To the best of my knowledge and belief, all data in this application/preapplication are true and correct, the document has been duly authorized by the governing body of the applicant and the applicant will comply with the attached assurances if the assistance is awarded.				
a. Typed Name of Authorized Representative Lee P. Brown		b. Title Mayor		c. Telephone Number (713) 247-2200
d. Signature of Authorized Representative 				e. Date Signed 6/26/03

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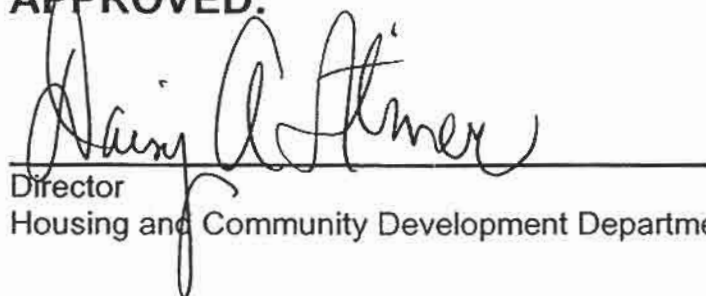
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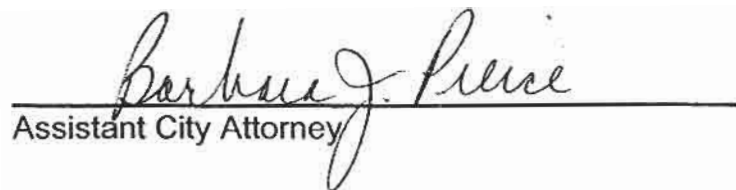
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Housing and Community Development Department

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Assistant City Attorney

PROJECTED USE OF FUNDS BUDGET

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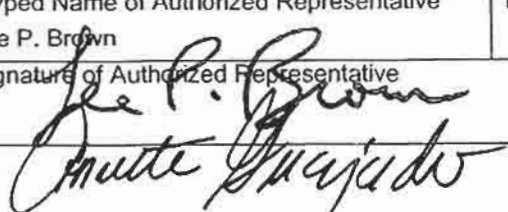
**PROJECTED USE OF FUNDS BUDGET FOR
TWENTY-NINTH PROGRAM YEAR
July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004**

<u>COUNCIL DISTRICT</u>	<u>PUBLIC FACILITIES AND IMPROVEMENTS</u>			
Various	Street Overlays (Neighborhoods to Standard Areas) and Improvements	\$3,050,000		
A, C, D, F, H, I	Park and SPARK (School-Park) Improvements	\$2,228,000		
B, C, D, F, H, I	Library (Security) Improvements	\$1,057,000		
B	Fifth Ward Multi-Service Center	\$300,000		
B	Kashmere Multi-Service Center	\$277,000		
I	Magnolia Multi-Service Center	\$450,000		
VARIOUS	Neighborhood Facilities Improvements	\$1,865,000		
VARIOUS	Art in Public Places	\$43,000		
	Sub-Total	\$9,270,000	23.1%	
VARIOUS	<u>HOUSING</u>			
	Housing Assistance Programs	\$11,259,000		
	Sub-Total	\$11,259,000	28.2%	
VARIOUS	<u>PUBLIC SERVICES</u>			
	Community Services	\$5,298,000		
	Emergency Shelter Grants (Match)	\$700,000		
	Homeless Management Information System	\$62,584		
	Sub-Total	\$6,060,584	15.1%	
	<u>PLANNING</u>			
	Coalition for the Homeless	\$48,416		
	Sub-Total	\$48,416	0.1%	
VARIOUS	<u>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</u>			
	Economic Development Assistance Program	\$2,100,000		
	Sub-Total	\$2,100,000	5.3%	
VARIOUS	<u>CLEARANCE</u>			
	Dangerous Building/Code Enforcement	\$3,831,000		
	Administration/Legal Department	\$530,000		
	Sub-Total	\$4,361,000	11.0%	
	<u>PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION</u>			
	CDBG Program Administration	\$5,815,700		
	Other Departments Administration	\$1,077,300		
	Sub-Total	\$6,893,000	17.2%	
	Total	\$39,992,000	100.0%	

ESTIMATE OF TWENTY-NINETH YEAR CDBG PROGRAM INCOME	
SOURCE OF PROGRAM INCOME	AMOUNT
Houston Housing Improvement Program Loan Repayments	\$ 75,000
Multifamily Housing Loan Repayments	400,000
Affordable Housing Loan Repayments	200,000
Small Business Revolving Loan Repayments	1,150,000
Palm Center Operations	950,000
Subrecipient	215,000
Other Program Income	10,000
Total	\$ 3,000,000
PROJECTED USE OF PROGRAM INCOME	
Small Business Revolving Loan Fund	\$ 1,150,000
Palm Center Operations	\$950,000
All Other Programs: Housing, Public Facilities and Improvements, Public Services and CDBG Administration	900,000
Total	\$ 3,000,000
TOTAL FUNDING DOLLARS AVAILABLE FY 2004	
Twenty-Ninth Year CDBG Allocation Estimated Program Income	\$36,992,000 \$ 3,000,000
TOTAL	\$39,992,000

**HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS ACT
(2003 – 2004)**

Application for Federal Assistance

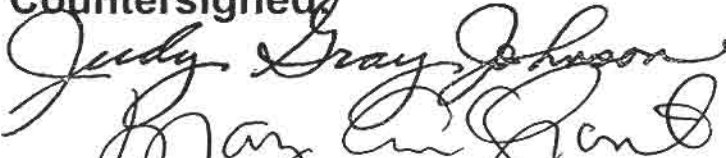
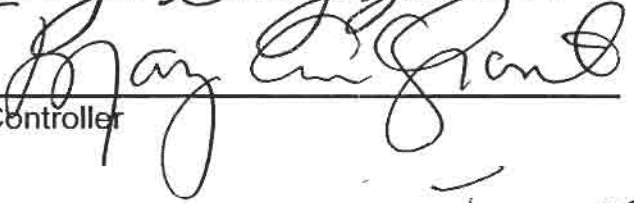
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5. Applicant Information			
Legal Name City of Houston		Organizational Unit Housing and Community Development	
Address 601 Sawyer P. O. Box 1562 Houston, TX 77251		Contact Daisy A. Stiner 713-868-8305	
6. Employer Identification Number (EIN): 746001164		7. Type of Applicant: Municipal	
8. Type of Application: Type: New		9. Name of Federal Agency: U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	
10. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: Catalog Number: 14239 Assistance Title: HOME Investment Partnerships		11. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project: New Construction, Rehabilitation and Acquisition	
12. Areas Affected by Project:			
13. Proposed Project:		14. Congressional Districts of:	
Start Date 07/01/03	End Date 06/30/04	a. Applicant 7,8,9,18,22,25,29	b. Project 7,8,9,18,22,25,29
15. Estimated Funding:		16. Is Application Subject to Review by State Executive Order 12372 Process? Review Status: Program not covered	
a. Federal \$14,735,474			
b. Applicant \$0			
c. State \$0			
d. Local \$0		17. Is the Applicant Delinquent of Any Federal Debt? No	
e. Other \$0			
f. Program Income \$500,000			
g. Total \$15,235,474			
18. To the best of my knowledge and belief, all data in this application/preapplication are true and correct, the document has been duly authorized by the governing body of the applicant and the applicant will comply with the attached assurances if the assistance is awarded.			
a. Typed Name of Authorized Representative Lee P. Brown		b. Title Mayor	c. Telephone Number (713) 247-2200
d. Signature of Authorized Representative 		e. Date Signed 6/24/03	

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Countersigned:

City Controller


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Assistant City Attorney

PROPOSED USE OF HOME FUNDS ALLOCATION OF FUNDS

	Total Home \$	Percent
*Acquisition/New Construction Single-Family Units	\$ 8,612,000	56.5%
*Acquisition/Rehabilitation/New Construction Multifamily Units	\$ 5,000,000	32.8%
Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDO's) Operations	\$ 100,000	00.7%
Program Administration	<u>\$ 1,523,474</u>	10.0%
TOTAL	\$15,235,474	100.0%

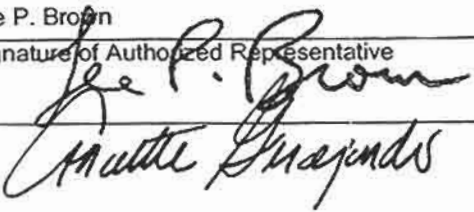
*The required fifteen percent (15%) set-aside for CHDO-sponsored projects will be funded from one (1) or more of these activities.

Sources of Estimated Program Income:

Houston Housing Improvement Program Loan Repayment	\$ 170,000
Multifamily Housing Loan Repayments	<u>\$ 330,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 500,000

EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANTS (ESG)
(2003 – 2004)

Application for Federal Assistance

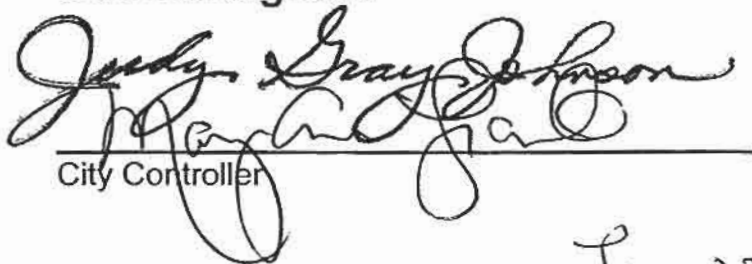
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5. Applicant Information			
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6. Employer Identification Number (EIN): 746001164		7. Type of Applicant: Municipal	
8. Type of Application: Type: New		9. Name of Federal Agency: U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	
10. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: Catalog Number: 14231 Assistance Title: Emergency Shelter Grant		11. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project: Services to homeless persons and payment of shelter operation expenses.	
12. Areas Affected by Project: City of Houston and Harris County			
13. Proposed Project:		14. Congressional Districts of:	
Start Date 07/01/03	End Date 06/30/04	a. Applicant 7,8,9,18,22,25,29	b. Project 7,8,9,18,22,25,29
15. Estimated Funding:		16. Is Application Subject to Review by State Executive Order 12372 Process? Review Status: Program not covered	
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b. Applicant \$0			
c. State \$0			
d. Local \$0			
e. Other \$0			
f. Program Income \$0			
g. Total \$1,230,000		17. Is the Applicant Delinquent of Any Federal Debt? No	
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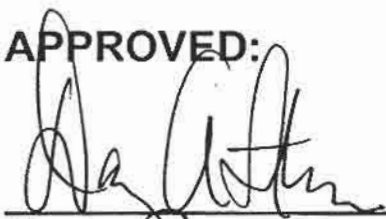
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FY 2003 EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANTS BUDGET

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Essential Services [576.21 (a)(2)]	\$ 369,000	30%
Operations [576.21 (a)(3)]	\$ 430,500	35%
Homeless Prevention [576.21 (a)(4)]	\$ 369,000	30%
Administration	<u>\$ 61,500</u>	5%
Sub-Total	\$1,230,000	100%

ESG

In-Kind Contributions	\$ 530,000
TOTAL	\$1,760,000

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Match (\$700,000) is already included in total.

**HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS
(2003 – 2004)**

Application for Federal Assistance

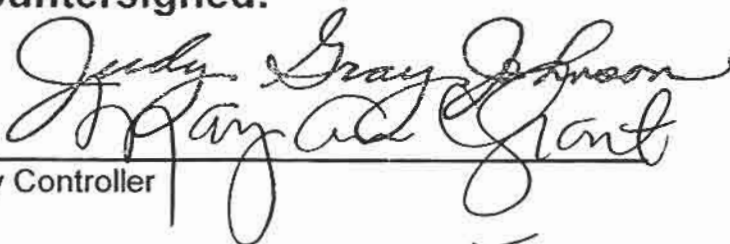
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6. Employer Identification Number (EIN): 746001164		7. Type of Applicant: Municipal	
8. Type of Application: Type: New		9. Name of Federal Agency: U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	
10. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: Catalog Number: 14.241 Assistance Title: Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS		11. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project: Housing Services, Construction, Acquisition, Rehabilitation, Homelessness Prevention for individuals and families affected by AIDS and HIV	
12. Areas Affected by Project: Houston, Pasadena and Baytown, Harris, Fort Bend, Montgomery, Liberty, Waller and Chambers counties.			
13. Proposed Project:		14. Congressional Districts of:	
Start Date 07/01/03	End Date 06/30/04	a. Applicant 7,8,9,18,22,25,29	b. Project 7,8,9,18,22,25,29
15. Estimated Funding:		16. Is Application Subject to Review by State Executive Order 12372 Process? Review Status: Program not covered	
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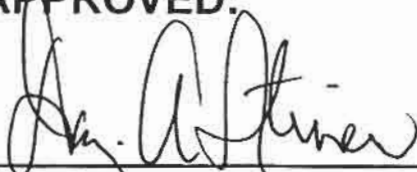
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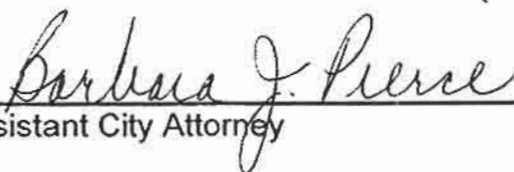
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FY 2004 – PROGRAM SUMMARY BUDGET

Eligible Activities	Short-term Facilities		SRO Dwellings		Community Residences		Other Housing		Non-Housing		TOTALS		
	HOPWA Funds	Other Funds	HOPWA Funds	Other Funds	HOPWA Funds	Other Funds	HOPWA Funds	Other Funds	HOPWA Funds	Other Funds	HOPWA Funds	Other Funds	Percent
Acquisition/Rehab/ Conversion/Repairs/ Lease					\$470,000						\$470,000	\$0	9.3%
New Construction					\$290,000						\$290,000	\$0	5.7%
Operating Costs					\$400,000		\$110,000				\$510,000	\$0	10.1%
Technical Assistance/Housing Information/Resource Identification					\$5,000				\$50,000		\$55,000	\$0	1.1%
Supportive Services					\$300,000		\$645,000		\$200,000		\$1,145,000	\$0	22.6%
Project or Tenant- based Rental Assistance							\$1,030,000				\$1,030,000	\$0	20.3%
Short-term Rent, Mortgage & Utility Subsidies							\$1,066,930				\$1,066,930	\$0	21.0%
Grantee Administration									\$152,070		\$152,070	\$0	3.0%
Sponsor Administration					\$130,000		\$155,000		\$65,000		\$350,000	\$0	6.9%
TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,595,000	\$0	\$3,006,930	\$0	\$467,070	\$0	\$5,069,000	\$0	100.0%

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

**CPD Consolidated Plan System
Listing of Proposed Projects – Pages 79 – 112**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT
CPD CONSOLIDATED PLAN
LISTING OF PROPOSED PROJECTS**

Project ID/ Local ID	Project Title/Priority/ Objective/Description	HUD Matrix Code/Title/ Citation/Accomplishments	Funding Sources	
0001	Street Overlays and Improvements	03K Street Improvements	CDBG	\$3,050,000
	Infrastructure	570.201(c)	ESG	\$0
		0 N/A	HOME	\$0
	Upgrade the condition of streets in targeted areas.		HOPWA	\$0
	Finance street overlay improvements in income-eligible Neighborhoods to Standard (NTS) Areas selected from Year twelve (12) of the program. It is anticipated that approximately 40 lane miles of streets will be improved as overlay projects. Additionally, \$50,000 for installation of street lights in income eligible areas, is provided.		TOTAL	\$3,050,000
			Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04

Eligibility:	570.208(a)(1) – Low / Mod Area
Subrecipient:	Local Government
Location(s):	Community Wide

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT
CPD CONSOLIDATED PLAN
LISTING OF PROPOSED PROJECTS

Project ID/ Local ID	Project Title/Priority/ Objective/Description	HUD Matrix Code/Title/ Citation/Accomplishments	Funding Sources	
0002	Multi-Service Centers	03E Neighborhood Facilities	CDBG	\$1,027,000
	Public Facilities	570.201(c)	ESG	\$0
		3 Public Facilities	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
			TOTAL	\$1,027,000
			Total Other Funding	\$0
	Funds cover expansion of facilities at Magnolia Multi-Service Center (\$450,000), enlargement of the auditorium and senior area; Fifth Ward Multi-Service Center (\$300,000), enlargement of library and new multi-purpose room; and Kashmere Multi-Service Center (\$277,000), construction of additional offices and enlargement of senior area.			

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04

Eligibility:	570.208(a)(1) – Low / Mod Area
Subrecipient:	Local Government
Location(s):	Addresses

7037 Capital Avenue, Houston, TX 77011
4014 Market Street, Houston, TX 77020
4802 Lockwood, Houston, TX 77026

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT
CPD CONSOLIDATED PLAN
LISTING OF PROPOSED PROJECTS**

Project ID/ Local ID	Project Title/Priority/ Objective/Description	HUD Matrix Code/Title/ Citation/Accomplishments	Funding Sources	
0003	Parks/SPARK (School-Park) Improvements	03F Parks, Recreational Facilities	CDBG	\$2,228,000
	Public Facilities	570.201(c)	ESG	\$0
		13 Public Facilities	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	Finance physical improvements at Alief, Reveille and Crestmont parks. Renovate and install new equipment on the campus of ten (10) schools in income-eligible areas. (See Park/SPARK map.)		TOTAL	\$2,228,000
			Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04

Eligibility: 570.208(a)(1) – Low / Mod Area

Subrecipient: Subrecipient Public 570.500(c)

Location(s):	Addresses
CP-11903 Bellaire Blvd., Houston, TX 77048	SP-7707 Rampart, Houston, TX 77081
CP-7700 Oak Vista, Houston, TX 77087	SP-960 S. Wayside, Houston, TX 77023
CP-5100 Salinsky, Houston, TX 77048	SP-7185 Santa Fe, Houston, TX 77061
	SP-4000 Simsbrook, Houston, TX 77045
	SP-6700 Fulton, Houston, TX 77002
	SP-2610 Elgin, Houston, TX 77004
	SP-1909 McKee, Houston, TX 77009
	SP-11035 Bob White, Houston, TX 77096
	SP-1809 Louisiana, Houston, TX 77002
	SP-2801 Blalock, Houston, TX 77080

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0004	Library Improvements	03E Neighborhood Facilities	CDBG	\$1,057,000
	Public Facilities	570.201(c)	ESG	\$0
		20 Public Facilities	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	Fund installation of security features at twenty (20) branch libraries. These improvements will include installation of surveillance monitoring equipment, exterior lighting, security fencing and electronic theft detection.		TOTAL	\$1,057,000
			Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless? No Start Date: 07/01/03
 Help those with HIV or AIDS? No Completion Date: 06/30/04

Eligibility: 570.208(a)(1) – Low / Mod Area
 Subrecipient: Local Government

Location(s):	Addresses
703 Kress, Houston, TX 77020	8501 W. Montgomery, Houston, TX 77088
10677 Homestead, Houston, TX 77016	6440 W. Bellfort, Houston, TX 77035
1050 Quitman, Houston, TX 77009	1520 Gelhorn, Houston, TX 77029
611 S. Sgt. Macarlo Garcia, Houston, TX 77011	7660 Clarewood, Houston, TX 77036
110 N. Milby, Houston, TX 77003	9525 Irvington, Houston, TX 77076
5411 Pardee, Houston, TX 77026	3611 Reed, Houston, TX 77051
4002 Hirsch, Houston, TX 77016	6767 W. Bellfort, Houston, TX 77067
8615 Leland, Houston, TX 77018	7200 Keller, Houston, TX 77012
1302 Heights, Houston, TX 77008	8145 Park Place, Houston, TX 77017
3624 Scott, Houston, TX 77004	6003 Beekman, Houston, TX 77021

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0005	Neighborhood Facilities Improvements	03E Neighborhood Facilities	CDBG	\$1,908,000
	Public Facilities	570.201(c)	ESG	\$0
		0 Public Facilities	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	Upgrade and/or increase the condition and availability of educational and neighborhood facilities.		TOTAL	\$1,908,000
			Total Other Funding	\$0
	Funds will be used for acquisition, construction and/or renovation of Neighborhood Facilities Projects (\$1,865,000), and cost overruns for prior years funded projects. The remaining funds (\$43,000) will be used for art in public places.			

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04

Eligibility:	570.208(a)(1) – Low / Mod Area
Subrecipient:	Local Government
Location(s):	Community Wide

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0006	Acquisition and New Construction	13 Direct Homeownership Assistance	CDBG	\$0
	Housing	570.201(n)	ESG	\$0
		1,163 Housing Units	HOME	\$8,612,000
			HOPWA	\$0
	Upgrade and/or increase the number of affordable housing units.		TOTAL	\$8,612,000
			Total Other Funding	\$0
	Assist income-eligible homebuyers to purchase existing homes (\$2,954,000) and newly constructed homes (\$5,658,000) in open market. Funds will be used to assist homebuyers to acquire approximately 591 existing homes and about 572 newly constructed residential units.			

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04

Subrecipient:	Subrecipient Public 570.500(c)
Location(s):	Community Wide

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0007	Operating Expenses	211 HOME CHDO Operating Expenses (subject to 5% cap)	CDBG	\$0
	Housing		ESG	\$0
		2 Organizations	HOME	\$100,000
			HOPWA	\$0
	Upgrade and/or increase the number of affordable housing units.		TOTAL	\$100,000
	Provide financial support to cover operating expenses of community housing development organizations (CHDOs) engaged in development of affordable housing projects.		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless? No
 Help those with HIV or AIDS? No

Start Date: 07/01/03
 Completion Date: 06/30/04

Subrecipient: Local Government
 Location(s): Community Wide

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0008	Emergency Home Repair	14A Rehab; Single-Unit Residential	CDBG	\$6,240,000
	Housing	570.202	ESG	\$0
		769 Housing Units	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	Upgrade and/or increase the number of affordable housing units.		TOTAL	\$6,240,000
			Total Other Funding	\$0
	<p>EHR Program seeks to alleviate life and health threatening hazards in substandard housing units for low and moderate-income persons. The majority of recipients are elderly residents. The current ceiling of \$7,500 per structure will be used to repair homes. Selected homes will receive more extensive repairs with up to \$20,000 allocated for each residential structure. Additional units will be upgraded through the EHR component administered by Houston Housing Finance Corporation (HHFC) for an average amount of \$3,000. In addition, \$140,000 is allocated for lead-based paint testing. Project delivery costs of approximately \$780,000 are included.</p>			

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04
Eligibility:	570.208(a)(3) – Low / Mod Housing		
Subrecipient:	Subrecipient Public 570.500(c)		
Location(s):	Community Wide		

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0009	Multi-Family Housing Acquisition and Rehabilitation	14B Rehab: Multi-Unit Residential	CDBG	\$3,360,000
	Housing	570.202	ESG	\$0
		1,533 Housing Units	HOME	\$3,800,000
			HOPWA	\$0
	Upgrade and/or increase the number of affordable housing units.		TOTAL	\$7,160,000
	Acquisition and rehabilitation of multi-family units for moderate, low and very low income persons.		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04
Eligibility:	570.208(a)(3) – Low / Mod Housing		
Subrecipient:	Local Government		
Location(s):	Community Wide		

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0010	Program Administration	14H Rehabilitation Administration	CDBG	\$1,459,000
	Planning & Administration	570.202	ESG	\$0
		0 N/A	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	Management, coordination and oversight of activities related to expenditure of funds in achieving this program's goals. Housing administration provides support for all of the housing projects.		TOTAL	\$1,459,000
			Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless? No Start Date: 07/01/03
 Help those with HIV or AIDS? No Completion Date: 06/30/04

Eligibility: 570.208(a)(3) – Low / Mod Housing
 Subrecipient: Local Government
 Location(s): Community Wide

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0011	Day Care and After School Program	05L Child Care Services	CDBG	\$1,837,000
	Youth Programs	570.201(e)	ESG	\$0
		4500 Youth	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	Provide supportive services for children and youth.		TOTAL	\$1,837,000
	Provide quality child care services and parental development to low and moderate-income persons who are employed, currently enrolled in vocational training or seeking employment. \$92,500 for program administration is included in total for day care (\$940,000). The Day Care Program is administered by Child Care Council of Houston (7800 Westglen). Funds are allocated through a Request for Proposal process. Through an agreement with surrounding school districts, schools will be selected in income eligible neighborhoods for After School Programs benefiting low and moderate-income children. The After School Program is administered by the Mayor's Office. \$980,000 will be used to finance the program.		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04

Eligibility:	570.208(a)(2) – Low / Mod Limited Clientele
Subrecipient:	Subrecipient Public 570.500 (c)
Location(s):	Community Wide

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0012	Juvenile Delinquency Prevention Programs	05D Youth Services	CDBG	\$1,620,000
	Youth Programs	570.201(e)	ESG	\$0
		7,317 Youth	HOME HOPWA	\$0 \$0
	Provide supportive services for children and youth.		TOTAL	\$1,620,000
	Programs to deter criminal behavior among low and moderate-income youth between the ages of eight (8) and nineteen (19). Funded activities will range from skills training and employment development to counseling to expanded recreational opportunities. The following programs will be funded: Juvenile Delinquency Prevention \$767,500 (an additional \$47,500 is allocated for administration); Youth Enrichment Program (\$572,000) will be operational at forty-six (46) sites; Anti-Gang Initiative \$100,000; Juvenile Firesetters \$50,000.		Total Other Funding	\$0
Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03	
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04	
Eligibility:	570.208(a)(2) – Low / Mod Limited Clientele			
Subrecipient:	Subrecipient Public 570.500(c)			
Location(s):	Addresses			
11903 Bellaire, Houston, TX 77072	6402 Market, Houston, TX 77020	3725 Fulton, Houston, TX 77009		
14201 Almeda School Road, Houston, TX 77047	9311 E. Avenue P, Houston, TX 77012	903 W. Temple, Houston, TX 77009		
1520 Candlelight, Houston, TX 77018	3316 DeSota, Houston, TX 77091	3000 Garrow, Houston, TX 77003		
5200 Park Place Blvd., Houston, TX 77056	8100 Kenton, Houston, TX 77028	10220 Shady Lane, Houston, TX 77093		
9718 Clark, Houston, TX 77076	603 E. 35 th Street, Houston, TX 77022	6600 Harbor Town, Houston, TX 77036		
200 Mississippi, Houston, TX 77029	7302 Keller, Houston, TX 77012	1031 Stude, Houston, TX 77007		

11800 Scott, Houston, TX 77047
5200 Selinsky, Houston, TX 77048
7521 Avenue H, Houston, TX 77012
9010 Dodson, Houston, TX 77093
5020 Harrisburg, Houston, TX 77011
5803 Bellfort, Houston, TX 77033
3018 Dowling, Houston, TX 77004
4900 Providence, Houston, TX 77020
100 Sabine, Houston, TX 77007
6720 S. Haywood, Houston, TX 77061
5101 Rutherglen, Houston, TX 77096

6501 Bellaire Blvd., Houston, TX 77074
1422 Ledwick, Houston, TX 77029
8811 Leland, Houston, TX 77028
8201 Roos, Houston, TX 77036
979 Grenshaw, Houston, TX 77088
1000 West 12th, Houston, TX 77008
5225 Calhoun, Houston, TX 77021
541 S. 75th, Houston, TX 77023
5333 Berry Creek, Houston, TX 77017
12200 Melrose Park Road, Houston, TX 77076
1205 Yale, Houston, TX 77008

2812 Cline, Houston, TX 77020
3502 Bellfort, Houston, TX 77051
9720 Spaulding, Houston, TX 77016
3200 Russell, Houston, TX 77026
14441 Croquest, Houston, TX 77085
212 Parkview, Houston, TX 77009

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0013	Elderly Service Program	05A Senior Services	CDBG	\$469,300
	Senior Programs	570.201(e)	ESG	\$0
		2265 Elderly	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	To provide services for the elderly.		TOTAL	\$469,300
	Funds the provision of social services to support low and moderate income senior citizens through an RFP process, which is administered by the Area Agency on Aging in the Department of Health and Human Services. Such services will include door to door transportation, home delivery meals, and temporary homemaker services.		Total Other Funding	

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04

Eligibility:	570.208(a)(2) – Low / Mod Limited Clientele
Subrecipient:	Subrecipient Public 570.500(c)
Location(s):	Community Wide

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0014	Tuberculosis Control and HIV/AIDS Education Programs	05M Health Services	CDBG	\$791,700
	Public Services	570.201(e)	ESG	\$0
		6000 Persons with Special Needs	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	Increase public health, safety and/or employment.		TOTAL	\$791,700
	Through the Tuberculosis Control Program, funds (\$610,000) make it possible for the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to identify, examine and treat income-eligible patients and associates of patients using directly observed therapy. Also covered are laboratory support and transportation services. For HIV/AIDS Education Program, DHHS uses funds (\$181,700) to contract with non-profit community-based agencies that represent and/or serve an ethnically diverse, low and moderate-income population. The program targets individuals whose behavior places them at the risk of HIV/AIDS infection. The DHHS also conducts education seminars in schools located in low/mod areas.		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless? No Start Date: 07/01/03
 Help those with HIV or AIDS? Yes Completion Date: 06/30/04

Eligibility: 570.208(a)(2) – Low / Mod Limited Clientele
 Subrecipient: Local Government
 Location(s): Community Wide

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0015	Day Labor	05 Public Services (General)	CDBG	\$200,000
	Public Services	570.201(e)	ESG	\$0
		2000 People (General)	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	Increase public health, safety and/or employment.		TOTAL	\$200,000
	The Day Labor Shelters are sites where laborers can wait for prospective employers. Gulfon Day Labor Center is located at 6025 Chimney Rock. The other Day Labor facility will be located at a site to be selected.		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless? No Start Date: 07/01/03
 Help those with HIV or AIDS? No Completion Date: 06/30/04

Eligibility: 570.208(a)(2) – Low / Mod Limited Clientele
 Subrecipient: Subrecipient Public 570.500(c)
 Location(s): Addresses
 6025 Chimney Rock, Houston TX 77081

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0016	Houston Recovery Campus Treatment	05F Substance Abuse Services	CDBG	\$195,000
	Public Services	570.201(e)	ESG	\$0
		1200 Persons with Special Needs	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	Increase public health, safety and/or employment.		TOTAL	\$195,000
	Rental cost of St. Elizabeth Hospital to support substance abuse treatment for the medically indigent.		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	Yes	Completion Date:	06/30/04
Eligibility:	570.208(a)(2) – Low / Mod Limited Clientele		
Subrecipient:	Subrecipient Public 570.500(c)		
Location(s):	Addresses		
4514 Lyons Ave., Houston, TX 77020			

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0017	SEARCH Outreach and Health Transportation Services	05 Public Services (General)	CDBG	\$185,000
	Homeless & HIV/AIDS	570.201(e) 1775 Persons who are Homeless	ESG HOME	\$0 \$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	To assist the homeless population.		TOTAL	\$185,000
	Providing mobile outreach services to the homeless in the form of essential services (e.g., blankets, medical care, psychiatric assistance, etc.) and information and referral (\$65,000). The goal is to respond to the needs of the homeless, particularly those isolated because of their geographic location or disability. An additional \$120,000 will fund a program to provide transportation services to area health care providers.		Total Other Funding	\$0
Help the Homeless?	Yes	Start Date:	07/01/03	
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04	
Eligibility:	570.208(a)(2) – Low / Mod Limited Clientele			
Subrecipient:	Subrecipient Public 570.500(c)			
Location(s):	Addresses			
2505 Fannin, Houston, TX 77002				

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0018	Homeless Management Information System	05 Public Services (General)	CDBG	\$62,584
	Homeless & HIV/AIDS	570.201(e)	ESG	\$0
		3000 Persons who are Homeless	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	To obtain information about the homeless population.		TOTAL	\$62,584
	Funding to establish and maintain an information system to count the number and types of homeless in Houston. A portion of the funds will be used to match a direct homeless grant from HUD. The system will also provide other forms of information about the homeless, as needed.		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless?	Yes	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04

Eligibility:	570.208(a)(2) – Low / Mod Limited Clientele
Subrecipient:	Subrecipient Public 570.500(c)
Location(s):	Addresses
1301 Travis, Suite 1701, Houston, TX 77002	

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0019	Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County	20 Planning	CDBG	\$48,416
	Homeless & HIV/AIDS	570.205	ESG	\$0
		3000 Persons who are Homeless	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	To assist the homeless population.		TOTAL	\$48,416
	Funding for positions to provide information concerning the homeless population for the Consolidated Plan.		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless?	Yes	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04

Eligibility:

Subrecipient: Subrecipient Public 570.500(c)

Location(s):
1301 Travis, Suite 1701, Houston, TX 77002

Addresses

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0020	Small Business Revolving Loan Fund	18A ED Direct Financial Assistance to For-Profits	CDBG	\$1,150,000
	Economic Development	570.203(b)	ESG	\$0
		23 Businesses	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	Assist small businesses.		TOTAL	\$1,150,000
	The Small Business Revolving Loan Fund is administered by the Houston Small Business Development Corporation. The program provides loans to small businesses to encourage revitalization and/or expansion of commercial and industrial enterprises.		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04

Eligibility:	570.208(a)(4) – Low / Mod Jobs
Subrecipient:	Subrecipient Public 570.500(c)
Location(s):	Addresses
5330 Griggs Rd., Houston, TX 77021	

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0021	HSBDC, BTC, MTAO	18B ED Technical Assistance	CDBG	\$950,000
	Economic Development	570.203(b) 66 Businesses	ESG HOME	\$0 \$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	Assist small businesses.		TOTAL	\$950,000
	Houston Small Business Development Corporation (\$262,500) covers operations associated with the overall administration of the corporation and administrative costs associated with the Revolving Loan Program. The Business Technology Center is responsible for leasing and managing space. \$687,500 covers the costs for operation of the BTC. The expenditure consumes all of the program income received from operation of the BTC, plus any additional allocations approved by City Council. (See map of proposed improvements)		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04
Eligibility:	570.208(a)(4) – Low / Mod Jobs		
Subrecipient:	Subrecipient Private 570.500 (c)		
Location(s):	Addresses		
5330 Griggs Rd., Houston, TX 77021			

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0022	Dangerous Buildings and Legal Assistance	04 Clearance and Demolition	CDBG	\$3,495,240
	Planning & Administration	570.201(d)	ESG	\$0
		0 N/A	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	Management, coordination and oversight of activities related to expenditure of funds in achieving this program's goals.		TOTAL	\$3,495,240
			Total Other Funding	\$0
	Provide funds to Neighborhood Protection Division for the Dangerous Buildings Program for staff positions (\$2,965,240). \$530,000 will fund positions and related costs for the Legal Department to continue title searches for demolition properties.			

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04

Eligibility:	570.208(b)(2) – Slums/Blight Spot
Subrecipient:	Local Government
Location(s):	Community Wide

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0023	Code Enforcement	15 Code Enforcement	CDBG	\$865,760
	Planning & Administration	570.202(c)	ESG	\$0
		0 N/A	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	Management, coordination and oversight of activities related to expenditure of funds in achieving this program's goals.		TOTAL	\$865,760
	Funding for positions to administer the Code Enforcement Program in low and moderate income areas.		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04
Eligibility:	570.208(a)(1) – Low/Mod Area		
Subrecipient:	Local Government		
Location(s):	N/A		

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0024	Essential and Supportive Services	05 Public Services (General)	CDBG	\$700,000
	Homeless & HIV/AIDS	570.201(e) 10,352 Persons with Special Needs	ESG HOME	\$369,000 \$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	To assist the homeless population.		TOTAL	\$1,069,000
	Through request for proposals, funds are allocated to organizations to provide services, information and referrals for homeless. Through a contract with the City of Houston, Child Care Council administers the Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG) Program. \$700,000 in CDBG is the match for ESG.		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless?	Yes	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	08/30/04

Eligibility:	570.208(a)(2) – Low / Mod Limited Clientele
Subrecipient:	Subrecipient Public 570.500(c)
Location(s):	Community Wide

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0025	Rent, Mortgage and Utility Assistance	05Q Subsistence Payments	CDBG	\$0
	Homeless & HIV/AIDS	570.204	ESG	\$369,000
		13,246 Persons with Special Needs	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	To assist the homeless population.		TOTAL	\$369,000
	As a homeless prevention activity, funds are allocated to non-profit organizations to provide rent, mortgage and utility payments for clients. Child Care Council (ESG) will allocate funds through requests for proposals.		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless? Yes
Help those with HIV or AIDS? No

Start Date: 07/01/03
Completion Date: 06/30/04

Subrecipient: Local Government
Location(s): Community Wide

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Project ID/ Local ID	Project Title/Priority/ Objective/Description	HUD Matrix Code/Title/ Citation/Accomplishments	Funding Sources	
0026	Administration	21A General Program Administration	CDBG	\$6,893,000
	Planning & Administration	570.206	ESG	\$61,500
		0 N/A	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	Management, coordination and oversight of activities related to expenditure of funds in achieving this program's goals.		TOTAL	\$6,954,500
			Total Other Funding	\$0
	Funding to cover management, coordination, oversight, monitoring and evaluation of CDBG (\$5,815,700) and ESG activities. In support of CDBG, funds also cover staff costs for: Legal Department (\$297,000); Finance and Administration(\$104,300); and Citizens Assistance Office (\$676,000).			

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04

Subrecipient:	Local Government
Location(s):	Community Wide

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0027	Relocation Assistance Program	08 Relocation	CDBG	\$200,000
	Housing	570.201(i)	ESG	\$0
		20 Households (General)	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	Relocation payments and other assistance for persons temporarily or permanently relocated when such assistance is required.		TOTAL	\$200,000
			Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04
Eligibility:	570.208(a)(1) – Low/Mod Area		
Subrecipient:	Local Government		
Location(s):	Community Wide		

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0028	Multifamily New Construction	12 Construction of Housing	CDBG	\$0
	Housing	570.204	ESG	\$0
		160 Housing Units	HOME	\$1,200,000
			HOPWA	\$0
	Upgrade and/or increase the number of affordable housing units.		TOTAL	\$1,200,000
	Provide funds for acquisition and/or new construction of affordable housing units.		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless?	No	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	No	Completion Date:	06/30/04

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0029	HOPWA Grantee Administration	21A General Program Administration	CDBG	\$0
	Housing	570.206	ESG	\$0
		0 N/A	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$152,070
	Funds for administration of the HOPWA Program.		TOTAL	\$152,070
	Current system will not allow an override for new HUD Matrix Code. For this project, correct HUD Matrix Code is 31B.		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless?	Yes	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	Yes	Completion Date:	06/30/04

Subrecipient:	Local Government
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0030	HOPWA Project Sponsor Activity	03T Operating Costs of Homeless/AIDS Patients Programs	CDBG	\$0
	Housing	570.201(e)	ESG	\$0
		6,591 Persons with HIV/AIDS	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$4,566,930
			TOTAL	\$4,566,930
	Assistance for persons with HIV/AIDS Acquisition/Rehab/Conversion/Repairs/Lease \$470,000; New Construction \$290,000; Operating Costs \$510,000; Technical Assistance/Housing/Res.Inf. \$55,000; Supportive Services \$1,145,000; Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, Utility Subside \$1,066,930; Project or Tenant-based Rental Assistance \$1,030,000.		Total Other Funding	\$0
	Current system will not allow an override for new HUD Matrix Code. For this project, correct HUD Matrix Code is 31C.			

Help the Homeless? Yes
 Help those with HIV or AIDS? Yes

Start Date: 07/01/03
 Completion Date: 06/30/04

Subrecipient: Local Government
 Location(s): Community Wide

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0031	HOPWA Project Sponsor Administration	21A General Program Administration	CDBG	\$0
	Homeless & HIV/AIDS	570.206	ESG	\$0
		0 N/A	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$350,000
	Funds for sponsor administration of HOPWA activity.		TOTAL	\$350,000
	Currently system will not allow an override for new HUD Matrix Code. For this project, correct HUD Matrix Code is 31D.		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless?	Yes	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	Yes	Completion Date:	06/30/04

Subrecipient:	Local Government
Location(s):	Community Wide

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0032	Operations	03T Operating Costs of Homeless/AIDS Patients Programs	CDBG	\$0
	Homeless & HIV/AIDS	570.201(e)	ESG	\$430,500
		13000 People (General)	HOME	\$0
			HOPWA	\$0
	To assist the homeless population.		TOTAL	\$430,500
	Through requests for proposals, funds are allocated to non-profit organizations to provide operating funds for emergency shelters and transitional living facilities.		Total Other Funding	\$0

Help the Homeless?	Yes	Start Date:	07/01/03
Help those with HIV or AIDS?	Yes	Completion Date:	06/30/04

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0033	Program Administration	21H HOME Admin/Planning Costs of Program (subject to 10% cap)	CDBG	\$0
	Planning & Administration	0 N/A	ESG	\$0
			HOME	\$1,523,474
			HOPWA	\$0
	Management, coordination and oversight of activities related to expenditure of funds in achieving this program's goals.		TOTAL	\$1,523,474
	Housing administration in support of all the housing projects.		Total Other Funding	\$0

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Public Facilities Improvements

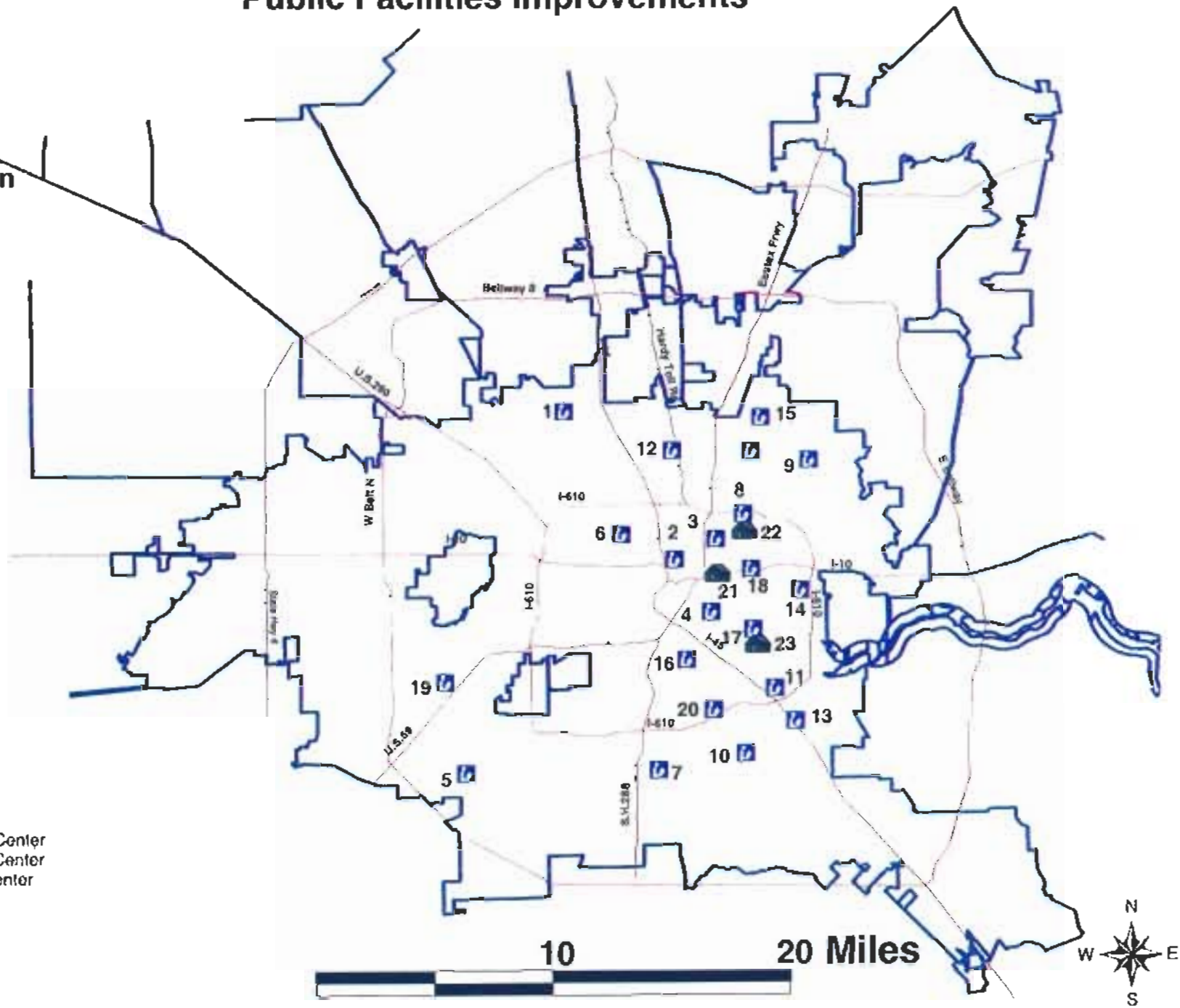
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 **Freeways**

Libraries

1. Acres Homes
2. Carnegie
3. Dixon
4. Flores
5. Frank
6. Heights
7. Johnson
8. Kashmere
9. Lakewood
10. Mancuso
11. Moichor
12. Moody
13. Park Place
14. Pleasantville
15. Scenic Woods
16. Smith
17. Stanaker
18. Tuttle
19. Walter
20. Young

Multi-Service Centers

21. Fifth Ward Multi-Service Center
22. Kashmere Multi-Service Center
23. Magnolia Multi-service Center



Park/SPARK (School Park) Improvements

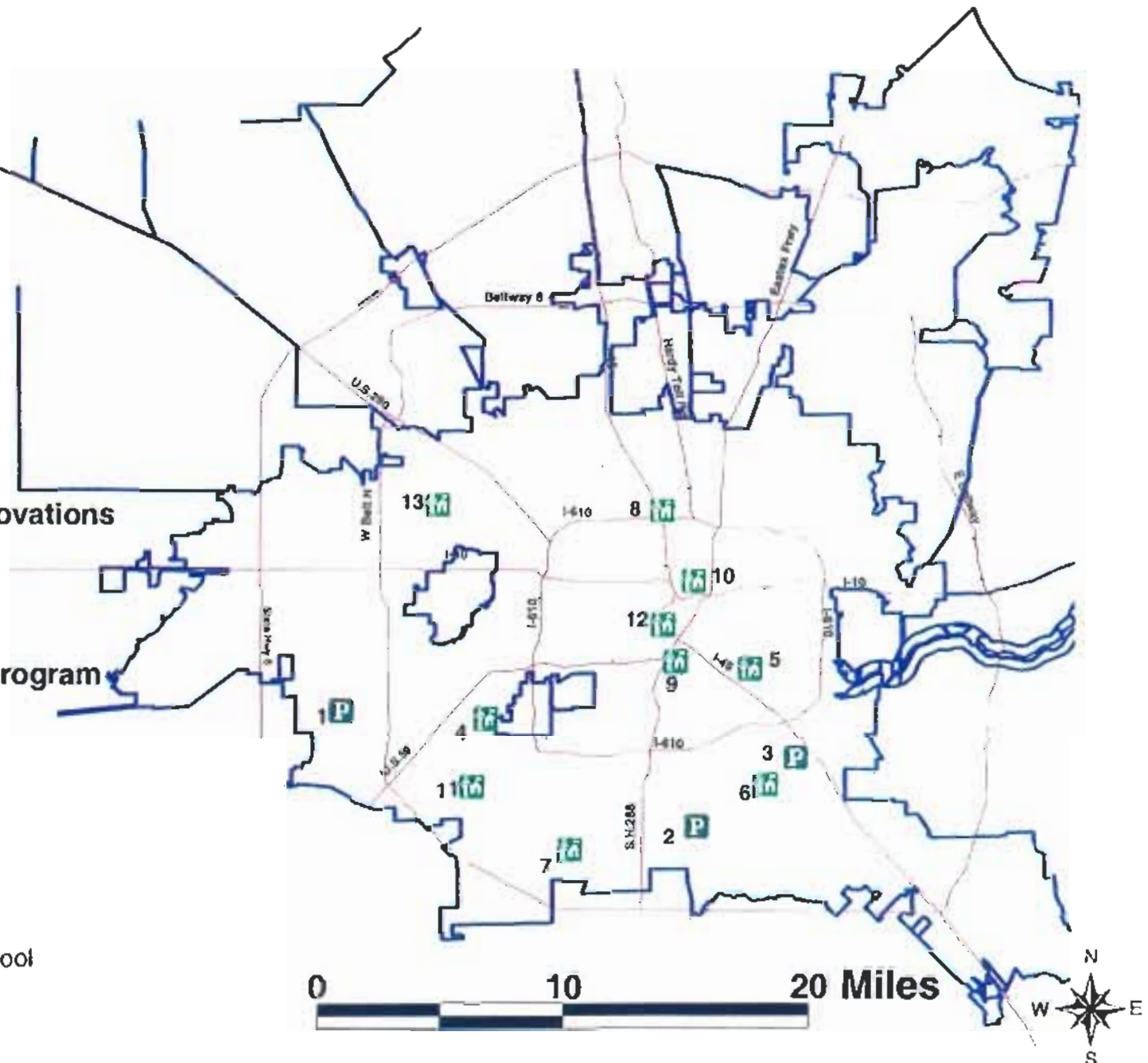
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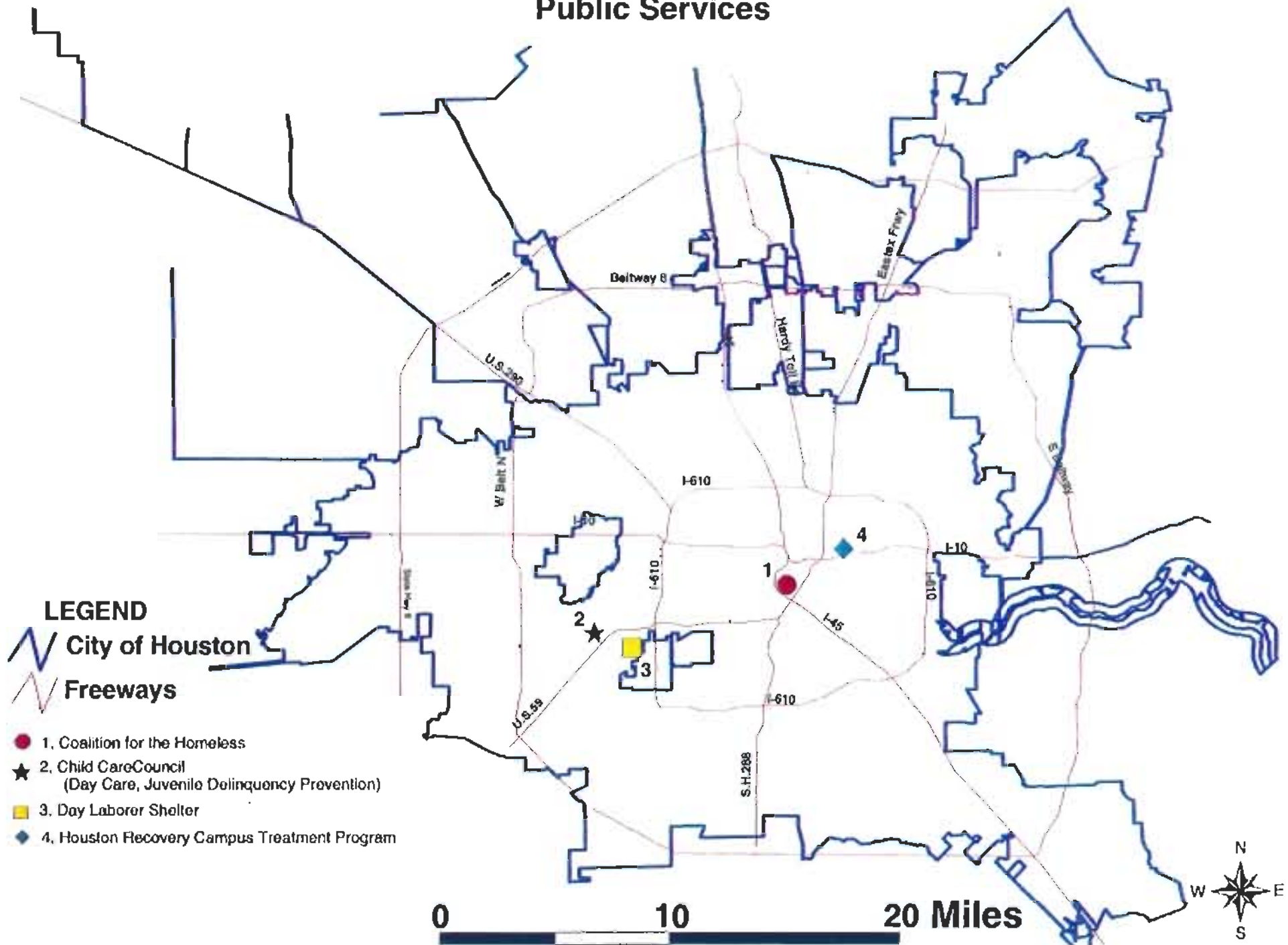
1. Alief Park
2. Reveille Park
3. Crestmont Park

SPARK (School Park) Program

4. Breaburn Elementary
5. Carillo Elementary
6. Garden Villas Elementary
7. Montgomery Elementary
8. Roosevelt Elementary
9. Ryan Middle School
10. Sherman Elementary
11. Tinsley Elementary
12. Young Scholar Charter School
13. Buffalo Creek Elementary






Public Services



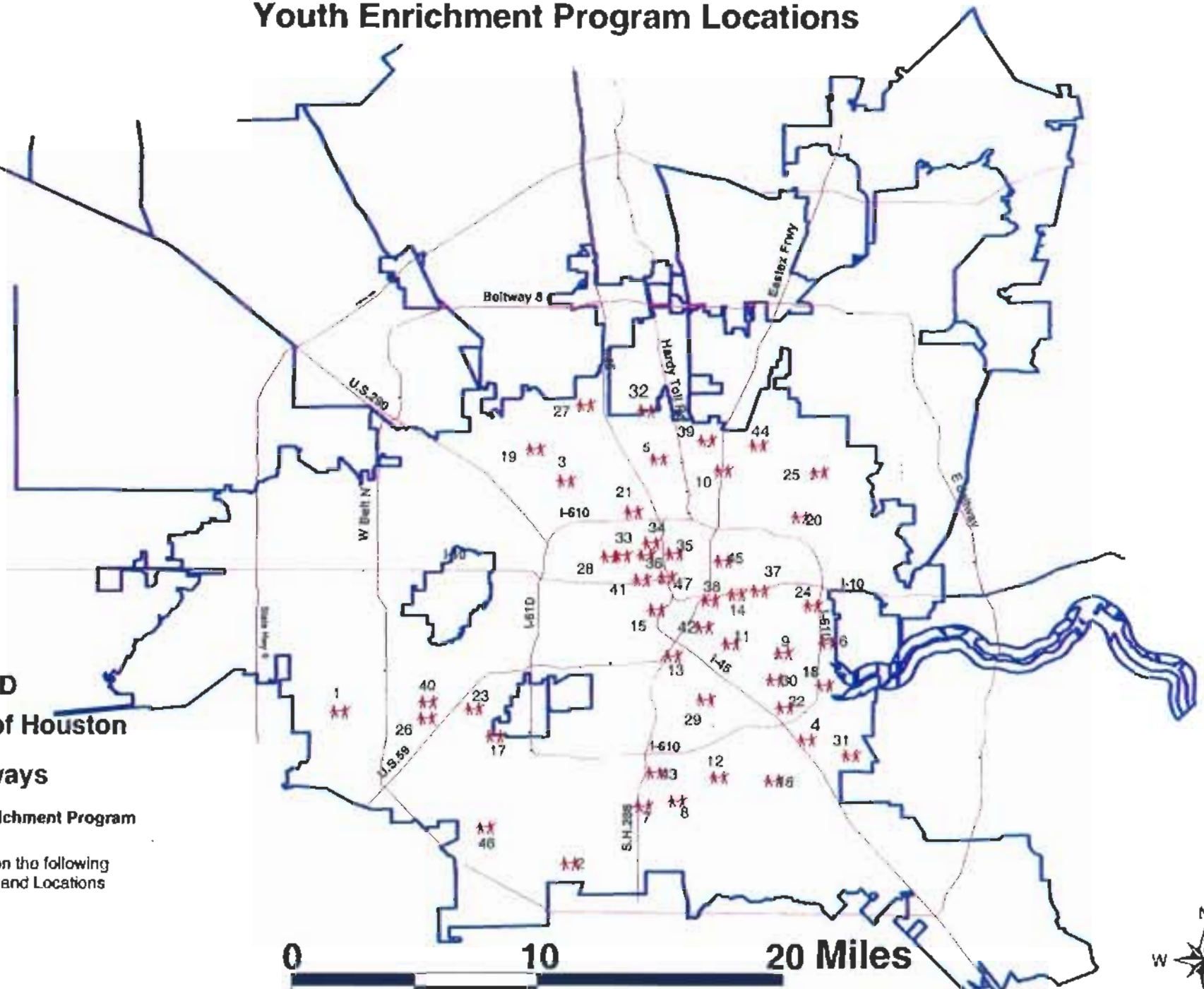
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 -  Youth Enrichment Program

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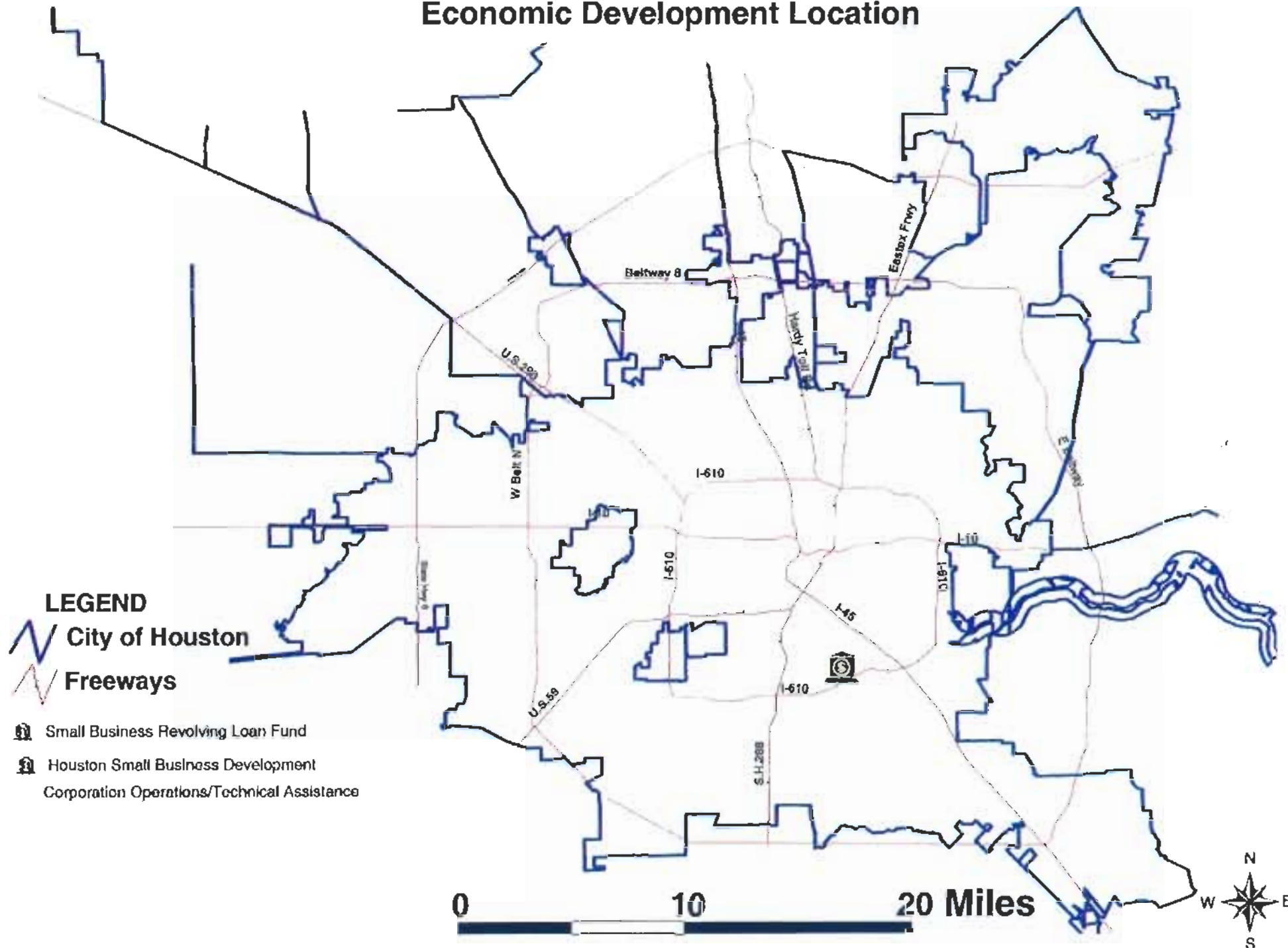
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YOUTH ENRICHMENT PROGRAM SITES

1. Alief Park	11903 Bellaire
2. Alameda Park	4201 Alameda School Road
3. Candlelight Park	1520 Candlelight
4. Charlton Park	5200 Park Place Blvd.
5. Clark Park	9718 Clark
6. Clinton Park	200 Mississippi
7. Cloverland Park	11800 Scott
8. Crestmont Park	5200 Selinsky
9. DeZavala	7521 Avenue H
10. Dodson Lake Park	9010 Dodson
11. Eastwood Park	5020 Harrisburg
12. Edgewood Park	5803 Bellfort
13. Emancipation Park	3018 Dowling
14. Finnigan Park	4900 Providence
15. Fonde Park	100 Sabine
16. Garden Villas Park	6720 S. Haywood
17. Godwin Park	5101 Rutherglen
18. Hartman Park	9311 E. Avenue P
19. Highland Park	3316 De Sota
20. Hobart Taylor Park	8100 Kenton
21. Independence Heights Park	603 E. 35 th
22. Ingranda Park	7302 Keller
23. Jane Long After School Program	6501 Bellaire Blvd.
24. Judson Robinson Sr. Park	1422 Ledwick
25. Lakewood Park	8811 Feland
26. Lansdale Park	8201 Roos
27. Lincoln Park	979 Grenshaw
28. Love Park	1000 West 12 th
29. MacGregor Park	5225 Calhoun
30. Mason Park	541 S. 75 th
31. Meadowcreek Park	5333 Berry Creek
32. Melrose Park	12200 Melrose Park Road
33. Milroy Park	1205 Yale
34. Montie Beach Park	915 Northwood
35. Moody Park	3725 Fulton
36. Proctor Plaza Park	903 W. Temple
37. Selena/Denver Harbor	6402 Market
38. Settegast Park	3000 Garrow
39. Shady Lane Park	10220 Shady Lane
40. Sharpstown Park	6600 Harbor Town
41. Stude Park	1031 Stude
42. Swiney Park	2812 Cline
43. Sunnyside Park	3502 Bellfort
44. Tidwell Park	9720 Spaulding
45. Tuffly Park	3200 Russell
46. Windsor Village Park	14441 Croquest
47. Woodland Park	212 Parkview

Economic Development Location



LEGEND

Freeways

 Libraries

Multi-Service Centers

 **Economic Development**

P **Park Improvements/Renovation**

 **SPARK (School Park) Program**

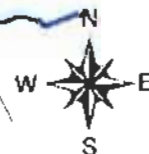
Coalition for the Homeless

★ Child Care Council
(Day Care, Juvenile Delinquency Prevention)

Houston Recovery Campus Treatment Program

 Day Laborer Site

0 10 20 Miles



PUBLIC COMMENTS

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

In preparation for submission of the **Amended 2000 Consolidated Plan** and **2003 Consolidated Annual Plan**, the City of Houston's Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) sponsored two (2) public hearings to (a) keep residents informed about plan development activities and (b) encourage the public's participation in the planning process. The first public hearing was held on Thursday, January 16, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Annex Council Chamber. The purpose of the hearing was to: (1) publicize that the 2000 Consolidated Plan would be amended, (2) provide an overview of the Consolidated Plan development process and the related schedule, (3) review current sources of funding and (4) review current funding allocations and projects.

First Public Hearing

Approximately seventy (70) citizens attended the hearing. Thirty (30) attendees made comments. Their remarks and related responses are summarized below.

Steve Waldner, Executive Director, United Cerebral Palsy

Said he is supportive of the Home of Your Own Program. He said he is here to request funds for a Needs Assessment in Houston for those with disabilities. He said the disabled community has already started work on this project with the University of Houston. He said the survey instrument has been designed.

Response

Margie Quince, Assistant Director, Housing and Community Development Department asked, how much would this survey cost.

Mr. Waldner responded \$65,000 and provided a handout that summarizes the request.

Cache Steinberg, University of Houston Graduate School of Social Work

No Comment

Amy Blackney, University of Houston Graduate School of Social Work

No Comment

Bette Tiago, Tiago Transformations

Ms. Tiago said Houston does not have a long-term disaster recovery system in place although one is needed. She said long-term comprehensive assistance is needed in restoring the property of disaster survivors. She provided a handout that summarizes her request.

Linda Walker, Adventist Community Services

Ms. Walker said she is the coordinator of the Allison Donations and would like to see a planning committee established to coordinate agencies on disasters. She provided a handout that summarizes her request.

Deborah Gunther, Sign Shares

Ms. Gunther said the deaf community did not receive information about the Consolidated Plan Hearing until the last minute. She said funds are needed for the accessibility of the hearing impaired. Ms. Gunther's organization Sign Shares received the contract to provide signage for the deaf public hearing attendees.

Gary Conwell, University of Texas Harris County Psychological Center

Mr. Conwell said the mental health and substance abuse community should be included in the Consolidated Plan. He said he would like federal funds to supplement renovation of health centers.

Max Uzick, Excel Income Realty, Inc.

Mr. Uzick explained that he was at the hearing to compliment the Housing and Community Development Department. He said that he has benefited as both a client and developer. He said the Department has done a great job in providing good prompt assistance on renovation projects.

Reverend Elmo Johnson, Uplift Fourth Ward

Reverend Johnson thanked the Department for addressing many community issues and providing funds for many in need. He said he easily read about the meeting in the Houston Chronicle newspaper.

Jim Fieser, Don Sowell Interest

Mr. Fieser said that he is the owner of affordable housing projects and works with **Don Sowell Interests**. He said he has developed over 2,500 units with community development funds. He said the Housing and Community Development Department does an excellent job in funding affordable housing projects.

Response

Margie Quince mentioned that some groups have questioned the City's open-ended RFP process. She asked for his opinion of the RFP.

Mr. Fieser replied that an open-ended RFP process allows developers to work within the market place. He said an open-ended process is the better way. He said to do otherwise would narrow the response time and prevent smaller organizations from participating in the process.

Mr. Fieser explained that real estate is time sensitive. He said a short window of opportunity would shut the process down. He said HCDD has been able to get loans and grants approved within the appropriate time because of the flexibility of an RFP process.

Councilmember Shelly Sekula-Gibbs M.D. asked, why would the time frame be limited?

Ms. Quince responded that some applicants say loan packages stay in the department too long. She said the RFP process allows smaller agencies sufficient time to compete. She said they can come to the City when they are ready.

Christine Coronado, Citizen

Ms. Coronado said her parents applied and received funding through the Emergency Home Repair Program. She said from her experience, there is a need for social workers, case managers and Spanish language speakers. She asked if there is a way that the City can initiate this request? She said since it took so long for her parents to be approved, now the home is not salvageable.

Response

Doug McKinna, Deputy Director, Housing and Community Development Department responded, that to Michael Halpin would investigate parents' situation and get back to you.

Yvette Tarrant, Bread of Life

Ms. Tarrant said her agency operates a HOPWA project and is a part of the Rent Utility and Mortgage Assistance Program. She said she came to commend the Department. She said it is a pleasure to work with the staff and encouraged continued support of the homeless.

Bill Ramey, Housing Authority of the City of Houston

No Comments

Nashika Stokes, National Association of Minority Contractors, Houston Chapter

Ms. Stokes reported that NAMC has an Emergency Home Repair Contract with the City of Houston. She said NAMC currently assists elderly and disabled people. She said they are committed to continue to help the communities they serve.

Daniel Montez, Executive Director, Houston Community Health Centers

He said Community Health Centers has provided medical services since 2001. Mr. Montez indicated that the agency's goal is to become a primary Health Care Center, opened 40 hours per week. Mr. Montez reported that the Center has already received Robert Wood Johnson funding. He said the need now is financial assistance for bricks and mortar and operations. He said the center is currently housed in a local church.

Response

Ms. Quince asked, if he was familiar with the department's Neighborhood Facilities Renovation Program. She reported that George Valdez, Assistant Director manages that program.

Councilmember Sekula—Gibbs told Mr. Montez that she had been following his agency's work for a year now. She said, you deliver health care two (2) days a week already. She commented we could look at securing space on the second floor of the Denver Harbor Multi Service Center to serve the needs of the under insured and uninsured.

Ms. Quince said funds have been allocated to the Health Department in this budget to build-out the second floor space in Denver Harbor MSC. She said give your card to Mr. Valdez and we will research the status of the second floor buildout and provide an update to you and Councilmember Sekula-Gibbs.

Phillip Imoisi, Houston Area Urban League Housing Director

Mr. Imoisi came to commend the Department. He said Ms. Coronado's parents are a client of the Houston Area Urban League. He said he is trying to work with Ms. Coronado because the repair cost exceeds the City's limit of \$20,000 per home.

Bishop Bolden, North Houston CDI

Pastor Bolden said the Department is doing a wonderful job. He said it great to help families afford the American dream of owning a home.

Elliot P. Gite, Community Endowment Foundation

Not Present

Debbie Antoon, Disaster Recovery Relief Director

Ms. Antoon, reported that since Tropical Storm Allison, volunteers still continue to come because the need remains. She said it normally takes 3 to 5 years to recover from such a storm. She said, we have helped over 1,200 and 1,300 are still in need. She said some clients are without plumbing, the housing has developed mold and may not have walls. She said the hardest hit area is the north side. She said the City must take a more active role in providing funding for construction materials. She said \$500,000 is needed.

Response

Michael Halpin, HCDD Staff, reported that the Department has already provided \$50,000 for this effort. He said we are waiting on a written proposal from Disaster Relief and FEMA.

Jane Cahill, Enhanced Enterprise Community, Zone 1

She requested funds for historic preservation of structures located in designated areas. She provided a handout that summarized her request.

Ruby Mosley, Acres Homes Citizen Council

Ms. Mosley thanked the Department for not forgetting the disabled and seniors. She said she had several questions that needed to be answered. First, explain how the relocation program works and how we can get funds to Acres Home. Second, how can residents get public health services in Acres Homes. She said the Citizens Council and the Acres Homes CDC needs to work jointly with the City to solve issues in the Acres Homes Community.

Response

Ms. Quince responded we will be happy to meet with you and others in your community to discuss our programs.

Councilmember Sekula-Gibbs MD added, we need Acres Homes represented in the Gate Way to Care organization. She said your area is a medically under-served area.

Reverend Nathan Blocker, Miracle of Hope Inc.

Reverend Blocker thanked the Department for working with Miracle of Hope CDC. He said, Miracle of Hope has built twenty-eight (28) single-family homes. He said the focus is now on multifamily housing. He said more rentals will be needed in the future.

Sister Rosanne Popp, Christian Community Health Center

Sister Popp said the clinic, located in the Gulfton area, serves an immigrant population. She said the clinic is working to form a federally qualified health center. To increase services she said Christian Community Health Center would like space in the Gulfton Multi-Service Center.

Councilmember Sekula-Gibbs MD asked, what is your vision and need for expansion.

Sister Popp responded, I would like to expand to evening and Saturday hours. I would like to expand maternity care, dental and mental health services. She said we currently serve a multi-ethnic area.

Blanca Flores, Director, Christian Southwest Community Health Center

Ms. Flores indicated that she supported the comments made by Sister Popp. She said currently we turn patients away. Ms. Flores added that the Center has qualified personnel to become a federally qualified health center. She said once the expansion is completed, agency will see a reduction in emergency health care.

Councilmember Sekula-Gibbs said funds are needed for both health care centers to secure larger space and complete the build-out. The additional space increases capacity and makes them eligible to become a federally qualified health center.

Reverend Stanley E. Phill, A Caring Safe Place

Reverend Phill thanked the City for HOPWA funding. He said his agency currently has a 10-bed facility to assist men who are HIV positive. He said we have a waiting list and need to expand.

Response

Ms. Quince asked, is the open-ended RFP process good for small organizations like A Caring Safe Place?

Mr. Phill responded yes because it reduces the expense of applying for funds for smaller organizations.

Richard Garcia, Mental Health Advocates

Mr. Garcia thanked the Department for doing a great job. He said there is no system in place to document the mentally ill. He requested funds to run an office. Mr. Valdez, Assistant Director at HCDD, offered to assist him.

Elena Vergara, Executive Director Community Family Centers

She said thanks to the Department for funds received by Community Family Centers. Ms. Vergara indicated that she was speaking on behalf of the Hispanic population. She said historically, Hispanics have received little HUD funds. She said Hispanics represent over 31% of the population in need of many services. Ms. Vergara reported that the application for federally funded Health Center had been submitted. She said the collaborative will be looking for a building soon. She said 42% of the people in our community live on \$15,000 or less per year. She said HUD funds are really needed in this traditionally under served community. She said we will build or rent a facility and funds are needed for the renovation.

Response

Mr. Valdez said I will meet with you to discuss your project.

Councilmember Sekula-Gibbs, MD said, please copy me on any information that is sent from HCDD about the federal health centers.

Samuel Bynum, Young Hearing Impaired People

Mr. Bynum said, I require a card interpreter. He said, I don't sign. He said my friend was so frustrated, that he left because he does not sign. He said, housing is a problem affecting the hard of hearing. He said, housing must be accessible to all disabilities. He said I am asking for assistance for the deaf and hard of hearing. He said I need captions.

Response

Ms. Quince said, Kym King is part of our Advisory Task Force. She said her responsibility is to provide us with information and data from your community.

Jeff Smith, Director, Houston Housing Finance Corporation

He said HHFC values its partnership with the City as a contractor and as a funding partner. He said we see the need for more funding in the down payment and closing cost assistance program and the Emergency Home Repair Program. He said we are here to encourage that the dollar levels remain the same.

Alice Valdez, Executive Director, MECCA

Ms. Valdez expressed appreciation for the grant of \$500,000. She said I am here about the \$200,000 grant we have not yet received because the agency doesn't have title to the building the agency is renovating. Ms. Valdez requested release of these funds to allow MECCA to use matching funds, currently in the bank. She said there needs to be a greater concern for the community and people of color. Ms. Valdez explained that the project is stalled in the Planning Dept.

Response

George Valdez, Assistant Director said, we will be happy to meet with you on this matter.

Councilmember Sekula-Gibb, MD said, please keep me in the loop on this matter.

Elliot P. Gite, Community Endowment Foundation

Mr. Gite indicated that this is his second year attending the public hearing. He said it would be helpful if the meeting were advertised on the Municipal Channel. He said he had a question about the funding report. He asked are HOPWA funds left over from 2002. He asked how many long term beds do we have for the funds expended over the last ten (10) years?

Ms. Quince responded, we will get the information for you.

Councilmember Sekula-Gibbs MD said I would like to receive a copy of that information too.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

The City of Houston's Housing and Community Development Department sponsored the second public hearing on Thursday May 29, 2003 in the City Hall Annex Chambers. Rather than produce a new five-year Plan, the City of Houston chose to amend the 2000 Consolidated Plan and at the same time develop the 2003 Consolidated Annual Plan. Prior to the public hearing, a public notice containing a summary of the **Amended 2000 Consolidated Plan and the 2003 Consolidated Annual Plan** was published in the Houston Chronicle on May 16th and in community newspapers the week of May 19th. This public notice also publicized the May 29th hearing.

The purpose of the public hearing was to review the Plan development process; funding for proposed projects; and sources and uses of program income. Forty-four (44) citizens were in attendance. Twenty-four (24) signed up to make comments and two (2) additional people spoke. Their remarks and related responses are summarized below:

Second Public Hearing

Council Member Shelly Sekula-Gibbs

Council Member Sekula-Gibbs asked how does a person with AIDS access HOPWA Services? The Council Member said she would like to see the formulas for grant amounts received from HUD.

Response:

Margie Quince, Assistant Director, Housing and Community Development Department explained how HOPWA services are accessed. Ms. Quince indicated that the department would provide the council member with a more detailed explanation of the HUD formulas.

Leslie Gerber, Director Public Policy, Mental Health Association

Ms. Gerber said there is a scarcity of housing for those with mental disabilities. She said MHMRA Task Force addresses this need. Ms. Gerber suggested that housing would reduce the number of homeless and the cost of \$50,000 per year to care for the homeless. Ms. Gerber added that she would like the Mental Health Association to become a part of the homeless assistance process, actively involved in the development of the Consolidated Plan. MHMRA is a member of the Consolidated Plan Advisory Task Force.

Paul Mesa, Second Ward Resident Organization

Mr. Mesa said there is a need for affordable housing in his community. He said a letter was sent the Director, last year and another follow-up letter, dated April 30, 2003 was also sent. He said his organization has not received a response. According to Mr. Mesa both letters outline concerns that his organization had about community issues and requested information about available resources.

Response:

Daisy Stiner, Director Housing and Community Development Department indicated that she has been the director for six (6) months and is unaware of prior correspondence of a year ago; however, as she explained on the telephone, the requested packet of information is on her desk for review. She would not be responding to personnel issues, as these issues do not drive affordable housing. She indicated that the department had assisted the Hispanic community at the same level that it has assisted other communities.

Council Member Shelly Sekula-Gibbs requested a copy of the department's correspondence to Mr. Mesa.

Cliff Honeycutt, Second Ward Resident Organization

Mr. Honeycutt said his questions have already received a response.

Elena Vergara, Community Families Center

Ms. Vergara said she requested assistance for an early child care center in January at the last public hearing. Ms. Vergara said neighborhood facilities funds are still not obligated in the budget. During her comments, Ms. Vergara referenced copies of the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), which she claimed, based on her analysis, showed unspent balances of over \$6 million. Returning to the early childcare center, Ms. Vergara said she has letters of support for the project and much of the funding required from other sources in place. She said the only problem that will be worked out soon is an environmental issue. She said funds for the project could come from prior year unobligated funds. She also said the Emergency Home Repair Program contracts are not bidded every year and should be bidded. She said we have a need for housing repair in our community.

Response:

Ms. Stiner said, unobligated funds are reprogrammed and approved by City Council. She said the CAPER is a snap shot in time and does not reflect current expenditures or commitment of funds. Ms. Stiner explained that the department does not obligate funds to projects that are not ready to move forward. Because of the environmental issues, the early childhood center is not ready to move forward.

Council Member Shelly Sekula-Gibbs

CM Sekula-Gibbs asked Ms. Vergara to keep her posted on her project and remediation of the environmental issue.

Jane Cahill, Old Sixth Ward Neighborhood Association and EEC Board

Ms. Cahill said that a public service need exists for the cognitive disabled. She said currently there is no funding in the budget to serve this population. Ms. Cahill indicated this

population is comprised primarily of the developmentally disabled. Ms. Cahill said there is a need for planning projects that will support this population. On a different subject, she said there is no funding to help the City plan for growth.

Michael O'Brien, Houston Homeowners Association

Mr. O'Brien explained that he was at the hearing to lobby for a historic preservation program similar to the Emergency Home Repair Program. He said the program should be allocated \$500,000 in funding. Mr. Bryant said such a program could be used as an economic development tool.

Odessa Sullivan

Left early.

Elliott Gite, Community Endowment Foundation

Mr. Gite said he is interested in the creation of a task force to focus on ways to increase HOPWA funding. He said according to the census data, Houston has an undercount and that we need to take a proactive stance. Mr. Gite explained that his primary concern is long term permanent housing for people with AIDS. He asked, if the Housing Department has identified specific projects for permanent housing projects in the proposed budget?

Response:

Ms. Quince said, no not yet. The department seeks projects through a competitive process. She added that the department has focused on transitional and emergency housing. Ms. Quince indicated that the department primarily focuses on the homeless and near homeless.

Mr. Gite asked, how many long-term permanent housing units are paid for with HOPWA funds.

Ms. Quince said, the department provided that information to Mr. Gite after the first public hearing of January 16, 2003, but she will provide the information again.

Ruby Mosley, Acres Homes

Ms. Mosley began her remarks by reporting that at the first hearing, she asked the staff of the department to come to her community and they did. She said thanks to the department for coming to Acres Homes and meeting with residents. Ms. Mosley said the department needs to look at renovating homes for the elderly and that the Housing Replacement Program needs to be re-activated. She said it would pay for itself. She said the City's tax collection agency needs to sell tax delinquent property, in the inventory, to members of the community.

Response:

Ms. Stiner replied that the City is working to develop a land assemblage program. She said the hold-up on the program is reaching an agreement with HISD. Ms. Stiner said there are about 15,000 tax delinquent properties that have been identified for inclusion in the program.

Marie Brown, Acres Homes

Ms. Brown thanked the Department. She explained that she is a recipient of a new home through the Emergency Home Repair Program.

Pauline Dean, Acres Homes

Ms. Dean said her home has been repaired three (3) times due to faulty work by the contractor under the Emergency home Repair Program. She said the work at her home is currently incomplete because of the contractor.

Response:

Ms. Stiner responded, I will have a member of my staff contact you about this matter.

Reverend Elmo Johnson, Up-Lift 4th Ward

Reverend Johnson said he has heard about all of the things that the Department is not doing. He said he wants to talk about all of the things that the Department has done under the Lanier and Brown administrations. He said, this department looks out for people and assists those who need it most. He thanked the department for making affordable housing development possible in Fourth Ward.

Angela Grant, Acres Homes

Ms. Grant requested information about the down payment assistance program. She indicated that her credit was not perfect.

Response:

Ms. Stiner said that the City of Houston through Housing Opportunities of Houston (HOH) provides assistance of up to \$9,500 for a new home and \$3,500 for an existing home. Ms. Stiner added that the department was proposing to increase the amount for existing homes to \$5,000. She said there are credit requirements for participating in the program; however, the program has counselors that will help the client work through credit problems.

Erin Luckey, Greenspoint

Ms. Luckey said her questions had been addressed.

Robert Sampson, Acres Homes

He said in 2002 he applied for the Emergency Home Repair Program. He said he was told his home would be repaired in 2003 because of the unavailability of funds. He said he would like to know the status of his application.

Response:

Ms. Stiner said, at the end of last year, there were some program changes. She said the department will contact you.

Bishop M. Bolden, North Houston CDC

Bishop Bolden said his organization is staying focused on helping people that were affected by the flood last year. He said the seniors need their homes repaired to remain in the home. He thanked the Department for the work it has done.

Response:

Ms. Stiner indicated to Bishop Bolden that the department wants to remain in contact with him to reach those people in need. She indicated to Bishop Bolden that a program has been designed to address the needs of those affected by the flood but the response from the victims has been low.

Samuel Hom, MHMRA

Mr. Hom read and submitted a letter from MHMRA Director Steve Schnee thanking the Department for partnering with the agency on projects to house the disabled.

Reverend Nathan Blocker, Miracle of Hope

Reverend Blocker said he was happy to participate in the review of the Consolidated Plan. He said he is here to commend the Department for the support given to Miracle of Hope in the 4th Ward. He had a concern about the increased property values and the impact it has on the taxes of homeowners in the 4th Ward. He said he would like to see the Department address this issue.

Response:

Ms. Stiner responded she is currently working with a task force to address the issue.

Council Member Sekula-Gibbs asked that he contact his state representative to resurrect the bill that addresses this issue.

Stanwyn Carter, Vanguard Properties and EEC Board

Mr. Carter commended the department for the work it does. He said the work that the department does makes a big difference in how the private sector promotes affordable

housing. He said the department should receive an award for innovation in affordable housing.

Kathleen Ownby, Director, SPARK Program

Ms. Ownby stated that this is the 20th year for the SPARK Program. She said 172 school parks have been developed in 7 school districts. She expressed appreciation for the department's continued support of the SPARK program.

Vincent Marquez, Northside Redevelopment Center

Mr. Marquez thanked the department for the support given to the Northside Redevelopment Center. He said he would like to know which day labor project will be funded with the \$100,000 in the budget?

Response:

Ms. Stiner responded that the site has not as yet been determined.

Ray Zapata, Coordinator, Gulfton Day Labor Site

Mr. Zapata thanked the department for the support GANO has received in helping people find jobs and with helping families. He said that GANO also helps students and homeless people.

Margie Pena, Second Ward CDC

Ms. Pena said that Second Ward also operates a day labor site with an annual budget of \$45,000. She said Second Ward is requesting an increase in funding to \$100,000 annually. She said they have provided 24,800 jobs in the last 6 years. She explained that the CDC partners with other agencies in the community to provide services to the day laborers. She said the program promotes economic development in the community by removing people from corners.

Karen Dunn, Gateway Qualified Health Care Center

Ms. Dunn thanked the department for the support her agency has received this year. She explained that her agency assists uninsured people. She said there is currently only one qualified health care center in Houston. She said CDBG funds would help to increase the number in Houston.

Roland Williams, Sunnyside UP

Mr. Williams thanked the department for its assistance with their projects.

The Public Hearing was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

CERTIFICATIONS

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In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing – The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing, which means it will conduct an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice within the jurisdiction, take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintain records reflecting that analysis and actions in this regard.

Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan – It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended; and implement regulations at **CFR 24 Part 49**; and it has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under **Section 104(d)** of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the CDBG or HOME programs.

Drug Free Workplace – It will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

1. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace, specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition.
2. Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:
 - (a) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - (b) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - (c) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs;
 - (d) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace.
3. Making it a requirement that each employee engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph one (1).
4. Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph one (1) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will:
 - (a) Abide by the terms of the statement;
 - (b) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction.

5. Notifying the agency in writing within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b) from an employee, or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant.
6. Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b), with respect to any employee who is so convicted:
 - (a) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended;
 - (b) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by the federal, state, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency.
7. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementations of paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Anti-Lobbying – To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief the following determinations have been made:

1. No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
2. If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions;
3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements), and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of Jurisdiction – The Consolidated Plan is authorized under state and local law (as applicable), and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

Consistency with plan – The housing activities to be undertaken with CDBG, HOME, ESG, and HOPWA funds are consistent with the strategic plan.

Section 3 – It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, and implement regulations at **24 CFR Part 135**.

Lee P. Brown

6/26/03

Signature/Authorized Official

Date

Phyllis Guajardo

Mayor

Title

Specific CDBG Certifications

The Entitlement Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation – It is in full compliance and is following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

Community Development Plan – Its consolidated housing and community development plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that provide decent housing, and expands economic opportunities primarily for persons of low and moderate income. (See CFR 24 570.2 and CFR 24 part 570)

Following a Plan – It is following a current consolidated plan (or Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy) that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds – It has complied with the following criteria:

1. Maximum Feasible Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it certifies that it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low and moderate income families or aid in activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available;
2. Overall Benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including section 108 guaranteed loans, during program year(s) 2001, 2002, and 2003 (a period specified by the grantee consisting of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years), shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period;
3. Special Assessments. It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds, by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

The jurisdiction will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108, unless CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of fee or assessment attributable to the capital costs of public improvements financed from other revenue sources. In this case, an assessment or improvements financed from other revenue sources. In this case, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds. Also, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.


Excessive Force – It has adopted and is enforcing the following policies:


1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations;
2. A policy of enforcing applicable state and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction;


Compliance with Anti-discrimination laws – The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with the title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC 2000d), the Fair Housing Act (42 USC 3601-3619), and implementing regulations.

Lead-Based Paint – Its notification, inspection, testing and abatement procedures concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR '570.608;

Compliance with Law – It will comply with applicable laws.



Signature/Authorized Official




Date

Mayor

Title

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANTEE
FY 2003 EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANTS PROGRAM
CERTIFICATIONS BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

I, Lee P. Brown Chief Executive Officer of City of Houston, certify that the local government will ensure the provision of the matching supplemental funds required by the regulation at 24 CFR 576.51. I have attached to this certification a description of the sources and amounts of such supplemental funds.

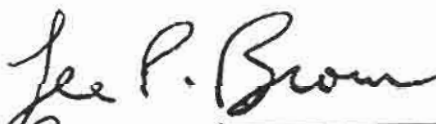
I further certify that the local government will comply with:

- (1) The requirements of 24 CFR 576.53 concerning the continued use of buildings for which emergency shelter grants are used for rehabilitation or conversion of buildings for use as emergency shelters for the homeless; or when funds are used solely for operating costs or essential services.
- (2) The building standards requirement of 24 CFR 576.55.
- (3) The requirements of 24 CFR 576.56, concerning assurances on services and other assistance to the homeless.
- (4) The requirements of 24 CFR 576.57, other appropriate provisions of 24 CFR Part 576, and other applicable Federal laws concerning nondiscrimination and equal opportunity.
- (5) The requirements of 24 CFR 576.59(b) concerning the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970.
- (6) The requirement of 24 CFR 576.59 concerning minimizing the displacement of persons as a result of a project assisted with these funds.
- (7) The requirements of 24 CFR Part 24 concerning the Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988.
- (8) The requirements of 24 CFR 576.56(a) and 576.65(b) that grantees develop and implement procedures to ensure the confidentiality of records pertaining to any individual provided family violence prevention or treatment services under any project assisted with ESG funds and that the address or location of any family violence shelter project will not be made public, except with written authorization of the person or persons responsible for the operation of such shelter.
- (9) The requirement that recipients involve themselves, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate, homeless individuals and families in policymaking, renovating, maintaining, and operating facilities assisted under the ESG program, and in providing services for occupants of these facilities as provided by 24 CFR 576.56.

- (10) The requirements of 24 *CFR* 576.57(e) are met dealing with the provisions of, and regulations and procedures applicable with respect to the environmental review responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and related authorities as specified in 24 *CFR* Part 58.
- (11) The requirements of 24 *CFR* 576.21(a)(4) providing that the funding of homeless prevention activities for families that have received eviction notices or notices of termination of utility services will meet the requirements that: (A) the inability of the family to make the required payments must be the result of a sudden reduction in income; (B) the assistance must be necessary to avoid eviction of the family or termination of the services to the family; (C) there must be a reasonable prospect that the family will be able to resume payments within a reasonable period of time; and (D) the assistance must not supplant funding for preexisting homeless prevention activities from any other source.
- (12) The new requirement of the McKinney-Vento Act (42 *USC* 11362) to develop and implement, to the maximum extent practicable and where appropriate, policies and protocols for the discharge of persons from publicly funded institutions or systems of care (such as health care facilities, foster care or other youth facilities, or correction programs and institutions) in order to prevent such discharge from immediately resulting in homelessness for such persons. I further understand that State and local governments are primarily responsible for the care of these individuals, and that ESG funds are not to be used to assist such persons in place of State and local resources.
- (13) HUD's standards for participation in a local Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and the collection and reporting of client-level information.

I further certify that the submission of a completed and approved Consolidated Plan with its certifications, which act as the application for an Emergency Shelter Grant, is authorized under State and/or local law, and that the local government possesses legal authority to carry out grant activities in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

By:



Signature of Chief Executive Officer/Date

Lee P. Brown

Typed Name of Signatory

Mayor

Title

HOPWA Certifications

The HOPWA grantee certifies that:

Activities – Activities funded under the program will meet urgent needs that are not being met by available public and private sources.

Building – Any building or structure assisted under that program shall be operated for the propose specified in the plan:

1. For at least 10 years in the case of assistance involving new construction, substantial rehabilitation, or acquisition of a facility;
2. For at least 3 years in the case of assistance involving non-substantial rehabilitation or repair of a building structure.

Lee P. Brown

Signature/Authorized Official

Christa Gayado

Date

6/26/03

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Specific HOME Certifications

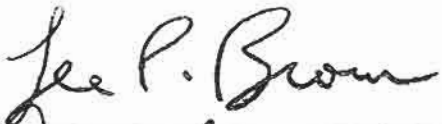
The HOME participating jurisdiction certifies that the following conditions are met:

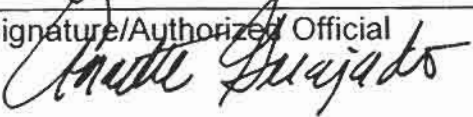
Tenant Based Rental Assistance – If the participating jurisdiction intends to provide tenant-based rental assistance:


The use of HOME funds for tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of the participating jurisdiction's consolidated plan for expanding the supply, affordability, and availability of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing.

Eligible Activities and Cost – It is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs as described in 24 CFR 92.205 through 92.209, and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in 92.214.

Appropriate Financial Assistance – Before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose, and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing.



Signature/Authorized Official




Date

Mayor

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Appendix to Certifications

Instructions concerning lobbying and drug-free workplace requirements are as follows:

A. Lobbying Certification

This certification is material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U. S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

B. Drug-Free Workplace Certification

1. By signing and/or submitting this application or grant agreement, the grantee is providing the certification.
2. The certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when the agency awards the grant. If it is later determined that the grantee knowingly rendered a false certification, or otherwise violated the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, HUD, in addition to any other remedies available to the federal government, may take action authorized under the Drug-Free Workplace Act.
3. Workplaces under grants, for grantees other than individuals, need not be identified on the certification. If known, they may be identified in the grant application. If the grantee does not identify the workplaces at the time of application, or upon award, if there is no application, the grantee must keep the identity of the workplace(s) on file in its office and make the information available for federal inspection. Failure to identify all known workplaces constitutes a violation of the grantee's drug-free workplace requirements.
4. Workplace identifications must include the actual address of buildings (or parts of buildings) or other sites where work under the grant takes place. Categorical descriptions may be used (e.g., all vehicles of a mass transit authority or state highway department while in operation, state employees in each local unemployment office, performers in concert halls or radio stations).
5. If the workplace identified to the agency changes during the performance of the grant, the grantee shall inform the agency of the changes(s), if it previously identifies the workplaces in questions (see paragraph three.)
6. The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant:

Place of Performance (Street address, city, county, state, zip code)

Housing and Community Development Department

601 Sawyer Street, Suite 400

Houston, Texas 77007

Check ☐ if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here. The certification with regard to the drug-free workplace is required by **24 CFR part 24, Subpart F**.

7. Definitions of terms in the Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment common rule and Drug-Free Workplace common rule apply to this certification. Grantee's attention is called, in particular, to the following definitions from these rules:

"Controlled substance" means a controlled substance in Schedules I through V of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812) and as further defined by regulation (21 CFR 1308.11 through 1308.15);

"Conviction" means finding of guilt (including a plea of nolo contendere) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the federal or state criminal drug statutes;

"Criminal drug statute" means a federal or non-federal criminal statute involving the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, use, or possession of any controlled substance;

"Employee" means the employee of a grantee directly engaged in the performance of work under a grant, including: (i) All "direct charge" employees; (ii) all "indirect charge" employees unless their impact or involvement is insignificant to the performance of the grant; and (iii) temporary personnel and consultants who are directly engaged in the performance of work under the grant and who are on the grantee's payroll. This definition does not include workers not on the payroll of the grantee (e.g., volunteers, even if used to meet a matching requirement; consultants or independent contractors not on the grantee's payroll; or employees of subrecipients or subcontractors in covered workplaces).

Monitoring

The City of Houston will monitor new housing and community development initiatives in accordance with existing standards for monitoring its other grant programs. A quarterly report is prepared identifying all newly funded programs that have been operating for ninety (90) days, and other programs that have not been monitored in the last twelve (12) months. From this report, a quarterly monitoring schedule is prepared. Monitoring reviews are required for all newly funded programs that have been operating ninety (90) days, and problem agencies. Remaining programs are evaluated and if all remaining agencies cannot be monitored, priority is given agencies with larger funding amounts. In no instance will an agency be **allowed to operate without being monitored** for more than twenty-four (24) months.

APPENDICIES

**AMENDED 2000 CONSOLIDATED PLAN
AND
2003 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PLAN
ADVISORY TASK FORCE**

Bill Ramey	Housing Authority of the City of Houston
Beto Bautista	Parks Department, City of Houston
Hilbert Bludau	Houston Independent School District
Shad Bogany	Houston Association of Realtors
George Bravenec	Public Works Department, City of Houston
Jane Cahill	Enhanced Enterprise Community (Board)
Stanwyn Carter	Enhanced Enterprise Community (Board)
Ellen Cohen	Houston Area Women's Center
Milby Hart	Houston Habitat for Humanity
John Hernandez	Housing Opportunities of Houston
Hank Holmes	Southwest Bank of Texas
Samuel Horn	Mental Health and Mental Retardation
Harold Jackson	Finance and Admin. Dept., City of Houston
Reverend Elmo Johnson	Uplift Fourth Ward, Incorporated
Kym King	Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities
Tony Koosis	Houston Center For Independent Living
Mary Lawler	CDC Association of Greater Houston
Chi-Mei Lin	Chinese Community Center
David Mandell	Coalition for the Homeless
Lamar Miramontes	Enhanced Enterprise Community (Board)
Ruby Mosely	Acres Homes – Senior Citizens
Linda O'Black	United Way of the Texas Gulf Coast
Mike O'Brien	Houston Homeowners Association
Ed Robert	Enhanced Enterprise Community (Board)
Mike Robinson	Robinson Capital Investment
Daphne Sands	Health & Human Services Dept., City of Houston
Tom Scott	Coach Realty
Diane Sheffield	Resident Council – Cuney Homes
J.J. Smith	Fannie Mae
Michael Steiner	Baylor College of Medicine
Bobbie Tallent	Enhanced Enterprise Community (Board)
Matt Thibodeaux	Planning Department, City of Houston
Louis E. Vanech	Ryan White Planning Council
Carolyn Kenner-Varner	Houston Metropolitan Transit Authority
Rosemary Washington	Re-Ward Third Ward, Inc.
Norman Wong	Police Department, City of Houston
Kathryn A. Wood	Greater Houston Builders Association



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Message from the Director:

In November 2002, I was appointed by Mayor Brown to be the Director of the Housing and Community Development Department. I feel honored to have been given the opportunity to make a contribution in addressing the community devel-

opment needs of Houstonians, particularly in the area of affordable housing. In fact, the mission of the Housing and Community Development Department is to provide leadership and support in the preservation and revitalization of Houston's low and moderate income neighborhoods. The Department's mission is accomplished by expanding the supply of safe, quality, affordable housing; improving the infrastructure; assisting small businesses through economic development; and providing social and other supportive services necessary for viable neighborhoods.



Financial fuel for departmental programs is secured through the Consolidated Plan, a comprehensive report that combines improvement strategies with applications for federal funds. The Consolidated Plan highlights the need of low and moderate income Houstonians for affordable housing; public facilities, such as parks and libraries; infrastructure improvements, such as streets and storm drainage; and social services.

The Consolidated Plan newsletter is the vehicle my Department has chosen to publicize the planning process and to solicit your involvement in the development of this report. This is the first of two (2) issues to be published during preparation of the Consolidated Plan. The second issue will be published in May, when the Plan is completed.

This issue of the newsletter describes why the City has chosen to amend the 2000 Consolidated Plan, the impact on the planning process, the schedule for development of the Plan, the role of the Advisory Task Force, and the strategy to assess needs in Houston.

I hope that you will find this newsletter both a useful and valuable resource.



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Daisy A. Stiner,
Director



Amending the 2000 Plan

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has informed the City that special census data needed to



track the level of need in housing will not be available until the latter part of 2003. In addition to housing, the special census data is used to determine the eligibility of capital projects; e.g., streets, libraries, fire stations, multi service centers, etc., for expenditure of federal dollars. It should be noted that projects classified as eligible and approved by City Council, using current income data, will remain eligible for funding once updated information becomes available. Furthermore, HUD is in the process of streamlining the planning process to make it more results oriented and has decided to phase out the computer software used to develop the Consolidated Plan. For these reasons, HUD has given Houston the option of amending the current three-year 2000 Consolidated

Plan (July 2000 – June 2003) in order to extend the number of program years by two (July 2003 – June 2005). After careful review of available options, the City of Houston has decided to amend the 2000 Plan and is focusing on assessment of needs and revisions of goals.

Assessment of Need

In preparation for amending the 2000 Consolidated Plan and preparing the 2003 Consolidated Annual Plan, the Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) is pursuing an aggressive strategy to fully assess the needs of low and moderate income Houstonians. HCDD is consulting with other city departments, non-profit and for-profit agencies, members of the Advisory Task Force, and the public to obtain the latest available data regarding existing conditions citywide. In order to obtain input from the public, HCDD has developed a one-page Needs Assessment Survey to obtain input about existing conditions, the importance of perceived deficiencies and the validity of maintaining current funding priorities. A copy of the Needs Assessment Survey is included in this issue for resident use. The postage-paid form should be filled out and mailed back to HCDD before Monday, March 31, 2003.

Public Hearing

On Thursday, January 16th, the Housing and Community Development Department sponsored the first of two (2)

public hearings on the Consolidated Plan. The hearing was held in the City Annex Chambers at 900 Bagby. The purpose of the public hearing was to publicize that the 2000 Consolidated Plan is being amended; the Plan amendment process; the Plan amendment schedule; and to obtain citizens' comments regarding planning issues.

The hearing focused on major sources of project funding such as CDBG, HOME, HOPWA, and ESG Programs. The second public hearing will be held when the Consolidated Plan is completed. Signing was made available at the meeting for the hearing impaired. Special assistance is provided upon request.

Profile of Federal Grants

The majority of improvement projects in the Consolidated Plan are funded by at



Consolidated Plan Schedule

The Housing and Community Development Department has adopted an ambitious schedule for both amending the 2000 Plan and for developing the 2003 Consolidated Annual Plan. A major component of this planning process is the assessment of needs, which is currently underway. Outlined below is the timetable for completion of the Consolidated Plan, with specific dates cited when possible.



least one (1) of the following four (4) federal grants: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA), and the Emergency Shelter Grants Program (ESG). The CDBG was created to help conserve and revitalize urban communities to principally benefit persons of low or moderate income by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment and expanded economic opportunities. Among these four (4) grants, the CDBG is the most flexible, funding public facilities and improvements (parks, streets, infrastructures), social or supportive (public) services and business assistance programs. HOME finances the development and acquisition of safe, sanitary and affordable housing for low and moderate income households. In addition to single family and multifamily projects, HOME also finances transitional housing projects. HOPWA was

specifically created to ease the housing expenses burden of those who are HIV-positive and their families. This program finances housing and related services to low-income persons who are HIV-positive or have AIDS, and their families. The ESG funds improvement of emergency shelters for the homeless, operating costs for emergency shelters and the provision of services for homeless individuals.

HCDD Accomplishments

The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) uses federal funds to preserve and/or develop affordable housing, increase homeownership, upgrade public facilities, expand the availability of social (public) services and transform deteriorating areas into vital communities. Since January 1992, HCDD financed the acquisition or rehabilitation of 26,374 multifamily units; the rehabilitation of 10,020 single family homes; homebuyer assistance for 10,881 residents in the purchase of a home; the provision of 3,244 beds for the homeless; services to assist 58,183 homeless and/or HIV positive individuals; the development of approximately one-hundred (100) SPARK Parks; renovation of nine (9) branch libraries and a number of street improvements, primarily overlays in income-eligible Neighborhoods-to-Standard Areas. The



Department has continued to finance street overlay improvements in Neighborhood-to-Standard areas. In addition, through funding of public services programs, the Department has provided much-needed assistance to children, youth, the elderly and those in need of medical services. Since 1992, HCDD has contributed more than twenty-two (22) million dollars to assist small businesses in low and moderate income neighborhoods.

Advisory Task Force

The first line of citizen input into this planning process is through the Advisory Task Force (ATF). Since 1999, the Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) has maintained the involvement of a rich cross-section of thirty-eight (38) individuals who have agreed to serve on the Consolidated Plan Advisory Task Force. Representatives of for-profits, non-profits, public and quasi-

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<p>January 12, 2002 of Advisory e (ATF).</p>	<p>January 16, 2003 First Public Hearing on the Consolidated Plan (CDBG, HOME, ESG, HOPWA).</p>	<p>February/March 2003 Distribution of Consolidated Plan Newsletter and Needs Assessment Survey.</p>	<p>April 18, 2003 (Tentative) Draft Budget Presentation and Discussion with Mayor.</p>	<p>May 5, 2003 (Tentative) Summary of Consolidated Plan published.</p>	<p>June 3, 2003 Thirty-day review period ends.</p>
<p>January 24, 2003 Deadline for submission of funding requests from city departments.</p>	<p>February/March 2003 Continue work on written draft.</p>	<p>April 25, 2003 Staff draft of Consolidated Plan completed.</p>	<p>May 9, 2003 Draft of Plan distributed to Council Members and made available to the public.</p>	<p>June 4, 2003 Consolidated Annual Plan on Council Agenda. (Projected approval of Plan, June 4th or June 11th).</p>	
<p>February 2003</p>	<p>January</p>	<p>February</p>	<p>March</p>	<p>April</p>	<p>May</p>
<p>January/February 2003 Funding (projects) requests reviewed for eligibility and feasibility. Work initiated on written draft.</p>	<p>January/February 2003 Council District Public Hearings on Budget, CIP and Consolidated Plan.</p>	<p>March 2003 Develop preliminary program priorities and funding allocations for review.</p>	<p>March 31, 2003 Deadline for submission of completed surveys.</p>	<p>May 15, 2003 (Tentative) Second Public Hearing on Consolidated Annual Plan.</p>	<p>June 13, 2003 Plan fed-exed to HUD for review and approval.</p>
<p>May 2003 Plan presented to Fiscal Affairs Council Committee.</p>					

public agencies, as well as community leaders, have volunteered to provide citizen input and to assist in amending the 2000 Consolidated Plan and development of the 2003 Consolidated Annual Plan. In addition to city departments (i.e., Planning, Public Works, Health, Finance and Administration, Parks and Recreation and Police), the Advisory Task Force members were also recruited from METRO [Carolyn Kenner-Varner]; the Housing Authority of the City of Houston [Horace Allison]; the United Way of the Texas Gulf Coast [Linda O'Black]; Mental Health and Mental Retardation Authority [Sam Hom]; Houston Center for Independent Living [Tony Koosis]; HISD [Hilbert Bludau]; the Houston Area Women's Center [Ellen Cohen]; Fannie Mae [J.J. Smith]; Houston Habitat for Humanity [Milby Hart]; the CDC Association of Greater Houston [Mary Lawler]; Housing Opportunities of Houston [John Hernandez]; Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities [Kym King]; Coalition for the Homeless [David Mandell]; the Chinese Community Center [Chi-Mei Lin]; Ryan White Planning Council [Louis E. Vanech]; Greater Houston Builders Association [Kathryn A. Wood]; Southwest Bank of Texas [Hank Holmes]; Uplift Fourth Ward, Inc.

[Reverend Elmo Johnson]; Re-Ward Third Ward, Inc. [Rosemary Washington]; Houston Association of Realtors [Shad Bogany]; Enhanced Enterprise Community [Stanwyn Carter, Jane Cahill, Lamar Maramontes, Ed Robert and Bobbie Tallent]; Houston Homeowners Association [Mike O'Brien]; Robinson Capital and Investment [Mike Robinson]; Coach Realty [Tom Scott]; Acres Homes - Senior Citizens [Ruby Mosley]; Resident Council - Cuney Homes [Diane Sheffield]; HUD - Community Planning and

Development [Sally Shipman]; and Baylor College of Medicine [Michael Steiner]. In addition to the ATF, the Department has also convened a special group, HIV/AIDS Special Needs Committee, to review issues effecting those residents who are HIV positive. Members of this subcommittee are from A Caring Place [Stan Phillips]; Bering Omega Community Services [Dave Robert]; AIDS Foundation [Vera Johnson]; Recovery Campus [Alfred Green] and Ryan White Planning Council [Louis Vanech].

Briefs

- The Housing and Community Development Department has developed a Program Information Guide that highlights federal grants and the various improvement programs administered by the Department. The Guide can be obtained at 601 Sawyer, 4th Floor or by calling 713.868.8300.
- National Community Development Week will be observed April 21-27, 2003. This annual event is designed to showcase the variety of improvement projects funded through the Community Development Block Grant. For more information call 713.868.8440.
- A Housing Workshop is scheduled for Monday, April 21, 2003. The workshop will cover housing and economic development programs sponsored by HCDD. For more information call 713.868.8300.
- The website address for the Housing and Community Development Department is www.houstonhousing.org.



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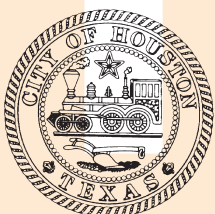
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Amended 2000 Consolidated Plan and 2003 Consolidated Annual Plan

This Consolidated Plan is the product of a dual planning process based on an assessment of housing and community development needs of Houston's low to moderate income residents. This assessment of needs was conducted in consultation with residents and other community partners, resulting in the adoption of both funding priorities and improvement strategies. The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development gave the City of Houston the option to amend the 2000 Consolidated Plan because of the unavailability of updated census information about the City's low and moderate income population. In addition, the process for developing the Consolidated Plan is under review and will likely be revised. Along with amending the 2000 Consolidated Plan, the City also had the responsibility for developing the third update in the form of the 2003 Consolidated Annual Plan. This annual plan lists the proposed uses of the funds due to the City of Houston for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003.

The primary source of citizen input was through the Advisory Task Force, a diverse cross section of thirty-eight (38) individuals representing the public sector, non-profits, for-profits and quasi-public agencies. Members of the Advisory Task Force assisted the Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) in assessing needs, revising components of the 2000 Consolidated Plan and establishing funding priorities. The assessment of needs was also accomplished through citywide distribution of a survey designed to obtain feedback from residents about existing conditions, aspects of their neighborhood in need of improvement and the projects that should have priority for funding. (See Needs Assessment Results.)

Amended 2000 Consolidated Plan

The Plan's amendment, Chapter II, is reflected in two (2) sets of tables. The first set

is the Priority Needs Summary table covering Homeless/Special Needs, Housing and Community Development issues. With input from the Advisory Task Force, numbers were revised and priorities adjusted to reflect changing conditions since the Year 2000. The second set of tables spotlights proposed goals, actual accomplishments and projected improvements for the 2000 Consolidated Plan, now with two (2) additional years, extending the time-frame to June 2005. Since the 2000 Plan, HCDD has initiated and/or supported program changes to accelerate the development and/or conservation of affordable housing, particularly for the "special needs" population. A description of new program initiatives and/or changes to existing programs are outlined in the report.

2003 Consolidated Annual Plan

The Annual Plan (Chapter III), spotlights Activities to be Undertaken, such as housing and supportive services, Program Resources, Anti-Poverty Strategy, EDI/Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program, Barriers to Affordable Housing, Public Housing Improvements, Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction and Geographic Distribution of Funding. The Enhanced Enterprise Community (Chapter IV), follows with descriptions of improvement initiatives underway in this specially designated area. Details are included covering activities in each of the area's six (6) zones. Applications for Funding (Chapter V), identifies how dollars allocated through the Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnerships, Emergency Shelter Grants and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS programs will be used to assist those in need during Fiscal Year 2004. Funded projects directly address and/or support priorities established by the Consolidated Plan Process. The Amended 2000 Consolidated Plan and 2003

Consolidated Annual Plan is also comprised of Chapters on Managing the Process (Chapter I), which describes the various phases of planning activities through which this report was developed, public comments (Chapter VII), federal certifications (Chapter VIII) and appendices (Chapter IX).

As with previous Consolidated Plans, the focus is on assisting the low and moderate income population, particularly the elderly, the homeless, the mentally ill, the physically disabled, youth and those who are HIV positive. The Amended 2000 Consolidated Plan and 2003 Consolidated Annual Plan describes how \$58,026,474 in federal funds and the estimated \$3,500,000 in program income will be used to benefit income-eligible residents and neighborhoods during Fiscal Year 2004 (July 1, 2003-June 30, 2004).

Application Process

The City of Houston is required to allocate federal funds through a process, which is both "open" and "competitive." For that reason, CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA funds are usually allocated through a Request for Proposals (RFP) process. For housing projects, HCDD has an open-end RFP, which can be accessed at the department's website www.houstonhousing.org. A RFP is also issued for Neighborhood Facilities Improvements Programs through the department's Program Operations Section. Requests for Proposals are also issued for homeless assistance, child care services and juvenile delinquency prevention activities. Child Care Council of Houston (713-266-6045) administers these three (3) programs. For more information about submitting an application, call 713-868-8300.

Needs Assessment Results

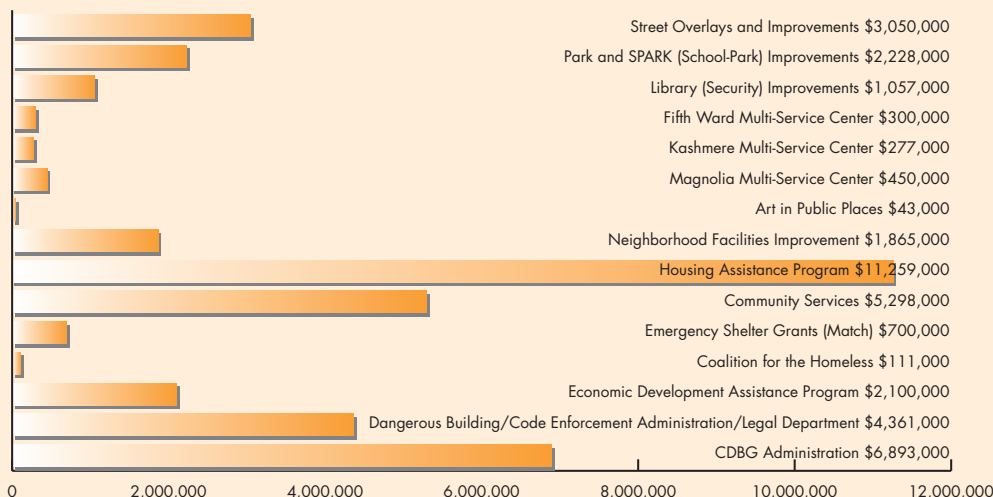
Between February and April 2003, Housing and Community Development Department distributed approximately 4,500 surveys in English, Spanish and Vietnamese, citywide. The survey sought feedback on several key issues covering resident satisfaction with existing conditions and opinions about affordable housing, homelessness, public infrastructure, social

Proposed Funding Allocations for CDBG, ESG, HOME and HOPWA

As a result of consultation with residents, non- and for-profit agencies, civic clubs and city departments, the Housing and Community Development Department is recommending that the following activities be funded during FY 2004.

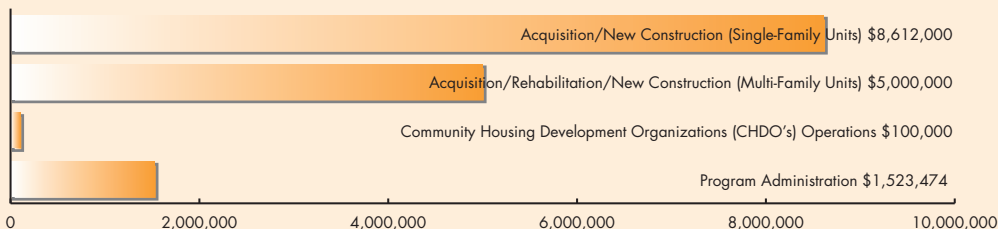
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

TOTAL \$39,992,000



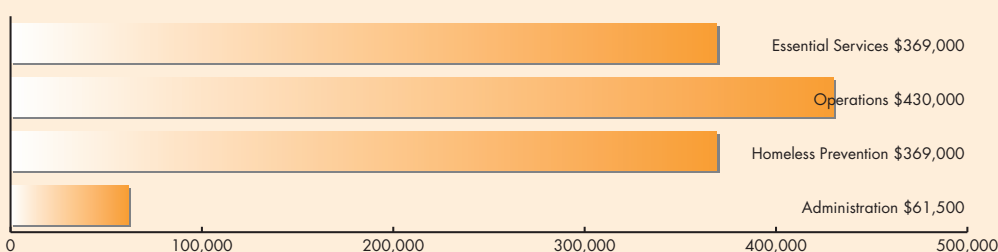
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM

TOTAL \$15,235,474



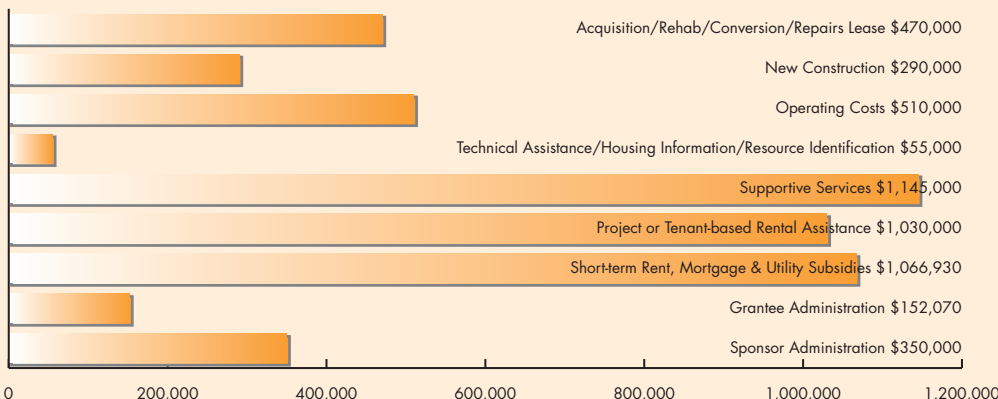
EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANTS PROGRAM

TOTAL \$1,230,000



HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS PROGRAM

TOTAL \$5,069,000



National Community Development Week



The 2003 National Community Development Week observance was held April 21 –25, 2003. The purpose of this observance is to spotlight projects developed through use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. Nine (9) projects were featured during the week. The week opened with a half-day



Affordable Housing Workshop entitled "Windows of Opportunity." At this workshop attendees participated in hands-on sessions on the Department's programs. Developers,

community housing development organizations and representatives from the financial community attended the workshop. The event was sponsored by North Houston Bank.



The opening reception and affordable housing workshop were held in the elegant Magnolia Hotel, which was formerly the Post Dispatch Building. The Magnolia Hotel, an EDI/Section 108 project is located in downtown Houston near Minute Maid Park. Two economic development projects that create jobs were featured during National CD Week. X-Ray X-Press, a mobile x-ray service was showcased, along with the Grand Banquet Complex. The Grand Downtown provides upscale, exclusive private banquet facilities and is located near the new basketball arena and George R. Brown Convention Center.



services and economic development. The rate of response was 13.9 percent. The majority of respondents were dissatisfied with conditions in their neighborhoods and felt that housing, the economy, public infrastructure and social services were most in need of improvement. In terms of ranking, housing and homeless services, economic development and public infrastructure were rated as top priorities.

Consolidated Plan Review Process

The Consolidated Plan goes through several layers of review before submission to City Council for approval. First, a summary of the Plan is published in the Houston Chronicle along with various community newspapers, including those that serve minority communities. Likewise, this newsletter, publicizing the

Plan Summary, is distributed to residents throughout Houston. Second, the draft report is provided to each member of the Consolidated Plan Advisory Task Force for review and comment. Copies of the plan are placed at each of the city's branch libraries, on the department's website and mailed to citizens on request. The goal of this wide dissemination is to encourage full participation in the review process. Third, a public hearing on the Plan is held and residents, community leaders and agency representatives are encouraged to attend and submit comments. Fourth, a presentation on the Plan is made before City Council's Fiscal Affairs Committee to review proposed projects recommended for funding. These activities outlined will occur during the thirty-day public review period, which extends from May 16th to June 14th. After which, the Amended 2000 Consolidated Plan and 2003 Consolidated Annual Plan will be sub-

The SPARK Park Program continues to be exemplary in the use of CDBG funds. Foerster, Northline and Petersen Elementary Schools were dedicated during CD Week and an open house was held at Kashmere and Walter Branch Libraries, two completed renovation projects.

Receptions were held at all of the events and were underwritten by Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) bank partners. Sponsors were Bank One, Washington Mutual, Bank of America, Chase Bank, Frost Bank, Comerica Bank, Allied FM 1960 Bank, Compass Bank, Southwest Bank and North Houston Bank.

mitted first to City Council and then to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for review and approval. The fiscal affairs meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 3rd and a public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, May 29th at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall Annex Council Chambers (900 Bagby).

Housing Department Opens "Windows of Opportunity" at Workshop

The Housing and Community Development Department recently hosted a group of realtors, developers, lenders, nonprofit organizations and other professionals from Houston's housing industry at the beautiful Magnolia Hotel in downtown Houston.

The half-day workshop was entitled, "Windows of Opportunity", and featured

panel sessions which covered: the Houston HomeTown Homebuyer Assistance Program; Building, Rehabilitating and Preserving Affordable Housing in Houston; Putting Section 108 to Work for your Community; and Developing Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA).



Following the workshop, participants were treated to a reception at which the Housing and

Community Development Department kicked off Houston's week-long celebration of National Community Development Week.

HOPWA Permanent Clearinghouse

In October 2000, the Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) sponsored a workshop for Rent, Utility and Mortgage Assistance providers focusing on program operations. During this workshop, participants determined that duplication of client services was a major issue that needed to be addressed. As a follow-up to this workshop, the Rent, Utility

and Mortgage Assistance (RUMA) Program agencies held meetings at HCDD to develop a system to prevent duplication. The committee recommended development of a permanent computerized clearinghouse.

In July 2002, through a competitive bid process, HCDD hired a consultant to develop the permanent clearinghouse in two (2) phases with input from a focus group comprised of department staff and representatives from four (4) RUMA agencies. The permanent clearinghouse has been operating successfully since it was launched in February 2003.

The Clearinghouse is a web-based system that protects client privacy through the use of unique identifier codes. Only providers in the City's RUMA Program can access the system. HCDD also has the ability to monitor provider use and run production reports as needed.

While the permanent clearinghouse was being developed Windsor Village AIDS Ministries (WAM) operated a temporary clearinghouse. The agency was responsible for creating, updating and maintaining the RUMA Program database, verifying client eligibility and calculating remaining weeks of client service until the permanent clearinghouse was developed.

Public Hearing

The second public hearing on the Amended 2000 Consolidated Plan and 2003 Consolidated Annual Plan was held on Thursday, May 29th in the City Hall Annex Council Chambers at 900 Bagby. The purpose of the hearing was to obtain comments from the public on the Amended 2000 Consolidated Plan and 2003 Consolidated Annual Plan. The Plan will be submitted to City Council for approval in June.

Briefs

- Copies of the Amended 2000 Consolidated Plan and 2003 Consolidated Annual Plan are available through HCDD (713-868-8300). The Plan has been placed at branch libraries and on the department's website, www.houstonhousing.org.
- The Consolidated Plan and Annual Plan are currently under review for thirty (30) days. This review period extends from May 16th through June 14th.

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CONSOLIDATED PLAN NEEDS ASSESSMENT SURVEY

The City of Houston's Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) is in the process of amending the 2000 Consolidated Plan to cover two (2) additional years, making it a five-year plan. The plan will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and will outline how the City proposes to spend the approximately \$100 million in federal funds beginning July 1, 2003. The majority of funding allocated to the City by HUD is to provide affordable housing, followed by funds for infrastructure improvements (e.g., streets, parks, libraries and fire stations), economic development and job creation, and social services (e.g., child care services, elderly services, etc.) in low to moderate income neighborhoods. As required by HUD, the funds are to be used to upgrade neighborhoods and assist those in need. HCDD is asking for input from citizens to assist in identifying areas that need improvement and in setting priorities.

Please take a few minutes to give us your opinions. Thank you!

1. How satisfied are you with overall conditions in your neighborhood? (Please circle the number that applies.)

1	2	3	4	5
Extremely Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very Satisfied

2. What level of improvement in your neighborhood do you think is necessary in each of the following items? Please circle the number that applies.)

Affordable Housing (Homeownership, affordable rental housing, housing for the elderly and disabled etc.)

1	2	3	4	5
Needs very much improvement	Needs much improvement	Neutral	Needs a little improvement	Needs no improvement

Homelessness (emergency shelters, transitional and permanent housing etc.)

1	2	3	4	5
Needs very much improvement	Needs much improvement	Neutral	Needs a little improvement	Needs no improvement

Public Improvements and Infrastructure (Parks, streets, street lights, drainage, libraries, multi-service centers, non-profit neighborhood facilities, etc.)

1	2	3	4	5
Needs very much improvement	Needs much improvement	Neutral	Needs a little improvement	Needs no improvement

Economic Development and Job Creation (small business development, strip mall and supermarket development etc.)

1	2	3	4	5
Needs very much improvement	Needs much improvement	Neutral	Needs a little improvement	Needs no improvement

Social Services (child care, elderly services, after school programs, crime prevention, juvenile delinquency prevention etc.)

1	2	3	4	5
Needs very much improvement	Needs much improvement	Neutral	Needs a little improvement	Needs no improvement

3. In your opinion, which one of the items listed below should be the Department's **highest priority**? (Please circle the letter that applies.)

A	b	C	d	e
Affordable Housing	Homelessness	Economic Development and Job Creation	Public Improvements and Infrastructure	Social Services

4. Since 1995, the top priorities of the Department based on HUD funding and local needs have been the following:

- Priority #1: Affordable Housing, including homeless housing
- Priority #2: Public Improvements and Infrastructure
- Priority #3: Economic Development
- Priority #4: Social Services

5. As the Department puts together a plan for the next 2 years, should these priorities remain the same? (Please circle the number that applies.)

Yes (Please answer Question 6)	No (Please skip Question 6 and go to Question 7)
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6. If you believe that the Department should have different priorities for the next 2 years, or that they should have the same priorities but in a different order, please list what you believe they should be.

- Priority #1 should be: _____
- Priority #2 should be: _____
- Priority #3 should be: _____
- Priority #4 should be: _____

7. In which neighborhood do you live? _____

8. Which zip code or zip codes is your neighborhood in?

9. In which Houston City Council district is your neighborhood? (Please place an X next to your District or on the "not applicable" line if you do not live in Houston)

District	Council member	X
A	Bruce Tatro	
B	Carol Galloway	
C	Mark Goldberg	
D	Ada Edwards	
E	Addie Wiseman	
F	Mark Ellis	
G	Bert Keller	
H	Gabriel Vasquez	
I	Carol Alvarado	
Not applicable, I do not live in Houston		

10. If you have any additional comments about the issues above, please share them in the space below.

We greatly appreciate your help!

Please fold and seal the survey form and drop in any mailbox right away. The postage is paid.



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